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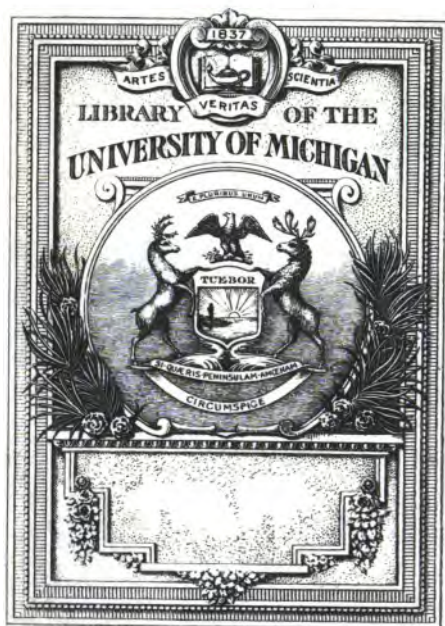
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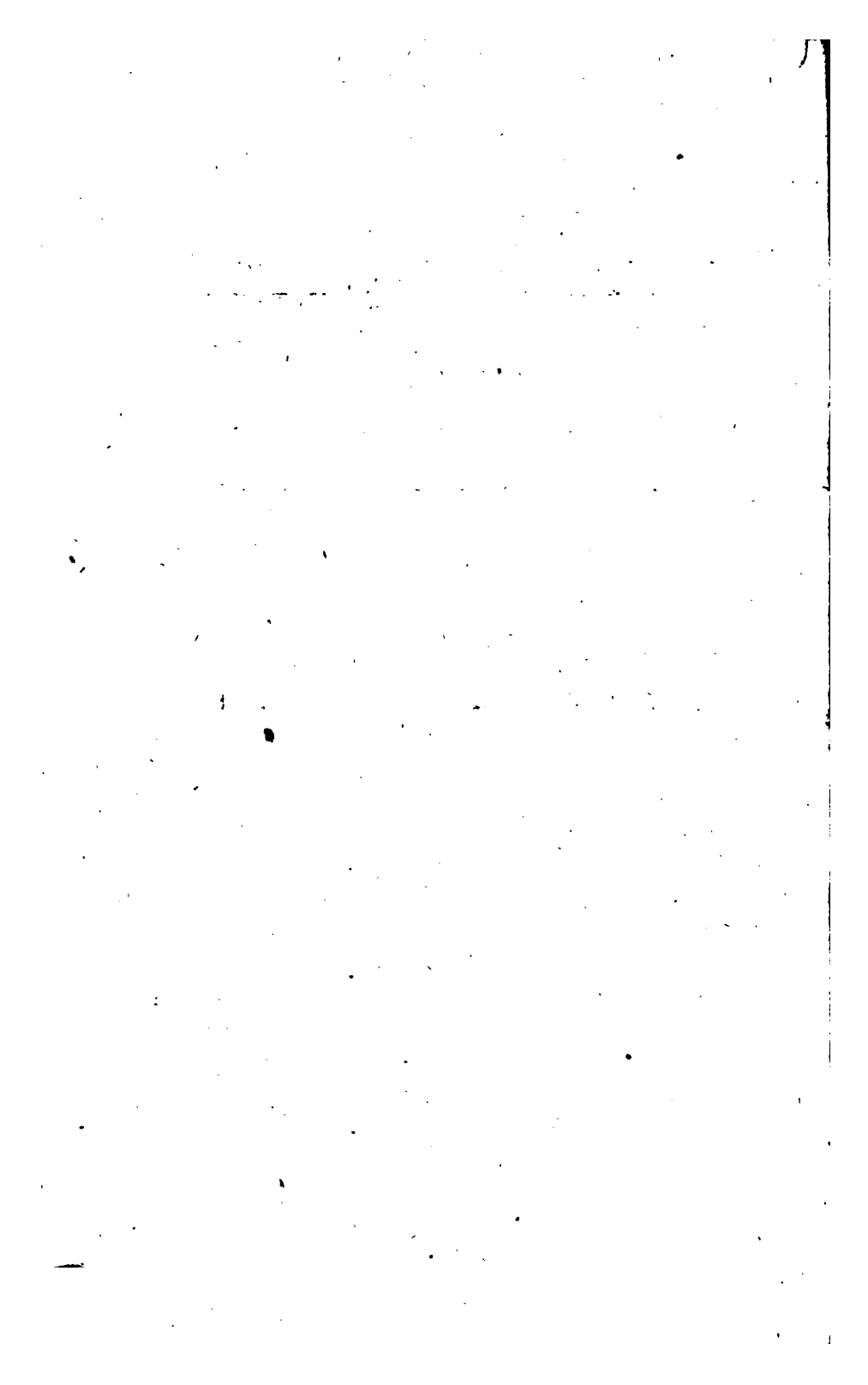
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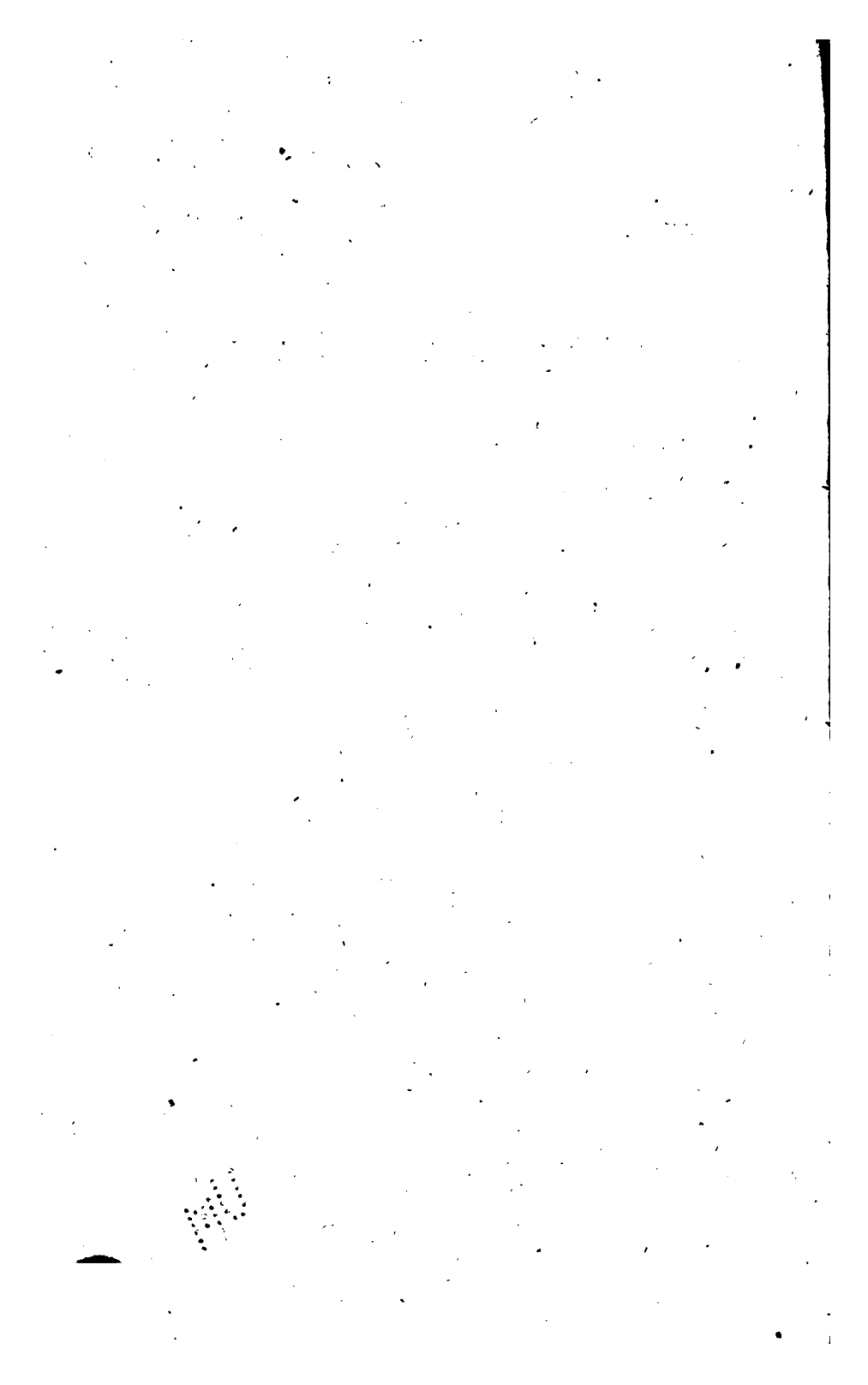
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## P R E F A C E.



F all the Mathematical Sciences, the *Doctrine of Fluxions* is the most extensive and sublime. By this, many Difficulties, unsurmountable by any other known Method, are solved with uncommon Expedition, Elegance, and Ease.

THE Lengths of curve Lines, the Areas of plane curvilinear Spaces, and the Surfaces and Solidities of convex Bodies; though in some few Figures they may be determined by

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by *the Ancients* Method of Exhaustions, *Cavalérius's* Geometry of Indivisibles, or *Dr. Wallis's* Arithmetic of Infinites\*; yet, the Fluxional Method is the only one by which they can be obtained in General.

FLUXIONS are likewise a General Method for determining the Maxima and Minima of Quantities; drawing Tangents to Curves, finding their Points of Inflection, and the Radii of Curvature. By this Method also, are derived Theorems for calculating of Sines, Tangents, and Secants; and for making Logarithms of any Form whatever. Nor is it confined here; but extends to the investigating a great Variety, not only of other Mathematical, but also of Philosophical Problems,

THE *Method of Fluxions* was first invented about the Year 1665, by that Prince of Mathematicians and Philosophers the late *Sir Isaac Newton*, then *Mr. Newton* about 23 Years old: But, as he gave no public Speci-

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\* The *Geometry of Indivisibles*, was first printed in the Year 1635; and the *Arithmetic of Infinites*, in the Year 1656.

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Specimens thereof till the Appearance of his excellent *Principia* in the Year 1687, the celebrated German Mr. Godfrey William Leibnitz, to whom it was communicated in the Year 1676, applied it in the *Acta Eruditorum* printed at *Leipfic* in 1684, to a few Maxima and Minima, and Tangents to Curves, and therein claimed the Invention himself.—Their *Notations* indeed are different \*; and, as Quantities are, by both, in Effect, considered as produced by continual Increase, after the same Manner as Space is described by a Body in Motion, instead of the *Velocity* with which a Quantity flows at any Point or Term of the Time in which it is supposed to be generated, called by Sir Isaac a *Fluxion*, Leibnitz takes the *Increment*, or little Part generated in an indefinitely small Portion of Time, and calls it a *Differential*.—But, as entering farther into the Controversy is foreign to my Design, those  
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\* Leibnitz denotes the *Differential* of any variable Quantity  $x$ , by  $dx$ ; its *Second Differential*, by  $ddx$ . And Sir Isaac, for its *Fluxion*, writes  $\dot{x}$ ; for its *Second Fluxion*,  $\ddot{x}$ : but in his *Principia*, flowing Quantities are expressed by the capital Letters  $X, Y, Z$ , and their *Fluxions* by the small Letters  $x, y, z$ , respectively.

who are inclined to see more thereof, I must refer to the *Commercium Epistolicum*, published by Order of the *Royal Society*, or to Mr. *Raphson's History of Fluxions*; wherein, Sir *Isaac* is fully proved, the Original Inventor of this noble and most extensive Method.

SEVERAL excellent Treatises have been wrote on the Subject; but, as they appear not calculated to introduce the young Beginner into this abstruse and difficult Science; so, in Order to his understanding them, a plain and easy *Introduction* seems to be Necessary: And for that End, the *First Impression* of the following Tract, published in the Year 1751, was wholly designed.

IN this *second Edition*, I have made many considerable *Alterations* and *Additions*; by which it is rendered much more plain, full, and correct than the former.—It is divided into *Two Parts*: The *First* treats of the *Direct Method of Fluxions*; in which, from the generated Quantity or *Fluent* being given, we find the *Fluxion*: And the *Second*, of the *Inverse Method*; wherein, from the *Fluxion* being

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being known, we find the *Fluent* \*. And, at the End, is added, an *Appendix*, containing miscellaneous Questions with their Answers; which could not well be inserted with the Examples for Illustration, and to some of which there was Occasion to refer.

THOSE Things in the former Edition occasioned by Hints communicated by an ingenious and learned Friend, are in this second still retained; but, those Others in which another Hand was concerned, are here omitted.

IN Order to a thorough Understanding of this *Introduction*, it is requisite that the Learner be well acquainted with Arithmetic, Algebra, Geometry, Plane-Trigonometry, Conic-Sections, and the Nature of Logarithms. But, since many geometrical and algebraical Treatises, give not the Descriptions, and from thence the Deduction of the Properties, of some Curves to be found in

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\* The *Direct Method of Fluxions*, as delivered by Leibnitz, is, by Foreigners, called *Calculus Differentialis*; and the *Inverse Method*, *Calculus Integralis*.

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the following Sheets ; nor the Method of reducing Quantities into Infinite Series, and the new Way of noting their Powers and Roots, necessary to be used in Fluxional Tracts ; therefore, these Deficiencies are herein supplied, though they do not immediately relate to the Business in Hand.

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PART I.

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CHAP. I.

*Of the Principles of Fluxions, and of the  
New Notation in Algebra.*

**I**N this Doctrine, Quantities are supposed to be generated by continual Increase, after the Manner of a Space which a Body in Motion describes. Thus, a Line is supposed to be generated by a Point in Motion, a Superficies by a Line, and a Solid by a Superficies,

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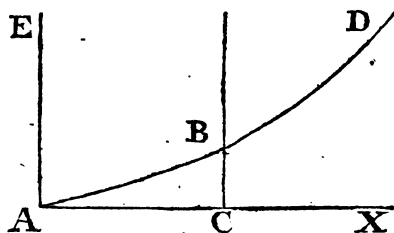
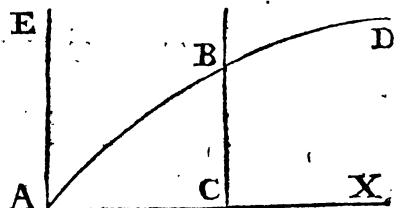
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### DEFINITION I.

I. **FLUXION**, is the *Velocity* with which a Quantity, at any Point or Term of it, flows or increases.

Thus, if we suppose the indefinite right Line AE to move with a parallel Motion along the Axis AX, or so as always to be parallel to its first Situation; and, at the same



Time, suppose a Point to move from A along the said Line AE, so as to generate or always to be in the Curve AD: Then, the *Velocity* with which the End or Point A, of the Line AE, arrives at any Point C, or, which is the same, the *Velocity* with which the Axis flows or is generated at any particular Point C, is the *Fluxion* of the Absciss AC at that Point: The *Velocity* with which the Point moves along the Line AE at any Point B, is the *Fluxion* of the Ordinate at that

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that Point: And, the *Velocity* with which the Point generates or moves along the Curve at any particular Point B, is the *Fluxion* of the Curve at that Point. So likewise, the *Velocity* with which the curvilineal Space ACB flows, or is generated by the Line A'E, at any Term CB, is the *Fluxion* of the said curvilineal Space at that Term.

2. Now, if the *Velocity* with which any Quantity flows, or is generated, be at every Point or Term the same; that is, if it be neither accelerated nor retarded; the *Fluxion* of it will likewise be at every Point or Term the same: But, if this *Velocity* be continually increased or diminished; then, there will be a certain Degree of *Velocity*, or *Fluxion*, peculiar to every Point, or Term of the Thing described; And, the *Velocity* wherewith the given *Velocity*, at any Point or Term, is either accelerated or retarded, is called the *Fluxion of the Fluxion*, or the *Second Fluxion*. And, again, if this Acceleration or Retardation be not uniform, but is increased with different Degrees of Proportion at different Points or Terms; then, the *Velocity*, or *Swiftness*, of this Acceleration or Retardation, is called the *Third Fluxion*. And so on.

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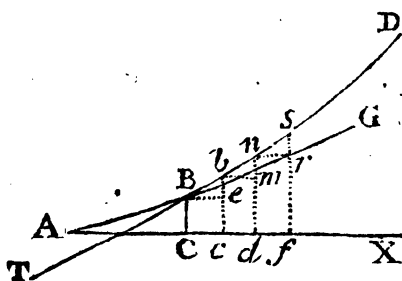
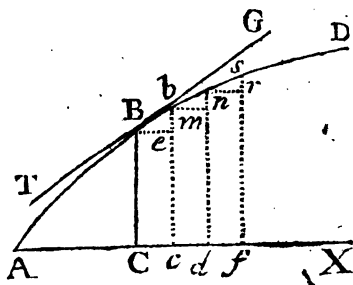
### DEFINITION II.

3. INCREMENT, is the indefinitely small Increase of a Quantity, generated in an indefinitely small Particle of Time.

Thus, if we suppose  $bc$  indefinitely near and parallel to the Ordinate  $BC$ , and  $Be$  parallel to the Absciss  $AC$ ; then  $Cc$ , or its equal  $Be$ , will be the *Increment* of the Absciss  $AC$ ;  $eb$  the *Increment* of the Ordinate  $CB$ ;  $Bb$  the *Incre-*

*ment* of the Curve A B; and C B *b c* the *Increment* of the curvilinear Space ACB.

4. Now, if  $nd$  be supposed indefinitely near and parallel to  $bc$ , and  $bm$  equal and parallel to  $Be$  or  $cd$ ; then, the *Difference* between  $eb$  and  $mn$ , is called the *Increment of the Increment*, or the *Second Increment*; i. e. the *Increment of  $eb$* , or *Second Increment of  $CB$* . And, again, if  $sf$  be supposed indefinitely



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finitely near and parallel to  $nd$ , and  $nr$  equal and parallel to  $bm$  or  $df$ ; then, the *Difference* between the *Second Increment* and the Difference of  $mn$  and  $rs$ , is called the *Third Increment* of  $CB$ . And so on.

5. *Note*, WHEN a Quantity, instead of increasing, is continually diminished; then, the indefinitely small Particles by which it is lessened, are not called *Increments*, but *Decrements*: And both *Increments* and *Decrements* are sometimes called *Moments*.

6. Now, if we suppose the Absciss  $AC$  to flow on with an uniform Motion, or equal Parts of it to be described in equal Times; its *Increment* will *accurately* express, or be *exactly* as its *Fluxion*; since Velocity is always as the Space uniformly described in a given Time: And, if the Curve  $Bb$  did *exactly* coincide with the Tangent or right Line  $TBG$ ; it is evident, that then, the *Increments*  $Bb$  and  $be$ , would likewise be described with uniform Motions, and with the same Degrees of Velocity with which the Curve and Ordinate respectively flow at the Point  $B$ ; that is, the *Increments*  $Bb$  and  $be$ , would then be *accurately* as the *Fluxions* of the Curve and Ordinate at the Point  $B$ . But, since not two Points of the Curve are coincident with  
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the Tangent, and therefore the Velocities with which the *Increments* are generated, are continually varying in every Point; so therefore, the *Increments* and *Fluxions* are not in an *exact* Proportion to each other; or, the *Increments* do not *accurately* measure the *Velocities* or *Fluxions* with which they begin to be generated. However, as the Point *b* is continually nearer to a Coincidence with the Tangent B G, the nearer it approaches the Point of Contact B; so, therefore, if we conceive the Ordinate  $\overline{Qb}$ , to move back, till it coincides with C B; then, the very first Moment before its Coincidence, the Curve B *b* and right Line B G, will be infinitely, or rather indefinitely near to a Coincidence with each other; and consequently, in that Case, the *Increments* B *b* and *b e* will come indefinitely near to measure the *Fluxions* of the Curve and Ordinate, or the *Velocities* with which they respectively flow at the Point B. Or, because the Particles of Time in which any *Increments* are generated, are supposed to be indefinitely small, and consequently the Acceleration or Retardation of the Velocity with which they are generated must be so too; therefore, they are indefinitely near in Proportion to the *Fluxions* of the Quantities  
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of which they are *Increments*: But, when the Ratio from that of Equality, is but indefinitely small, or less than can be assigned, it may be consider'd as equal\*; and therefore, the *Increments* may be taken as *Proportional to*, or (because Velocity is expressed by the Space uniformly described in a given Time) *for* the *Fluxions* in all Operations; and, on the contrary, the *Fluxions* for the *Increments*.

7. *Note.* THOSE Quantities which are suppos'd to flow, or to be generated by continual Increase, are called *Fluents*, and *variable* or *flowing* Quantities: and those which admit of no Variation, (as the Parameter of a Parabola, the Diameter of a Circle, &c.) are called *permanent*, *given*, and *invariable* Quantities. — The Beginning of the Alphabet, viz. *a, b, c, d, &c.* is used to express *invariable* Quantities; and the End, viz. *x, y, z, &c.* *variable* or *flowing* Quantities. And the *Fluxions* of those variables, viz.  $\dot{x}, \dot{y}, \dot{z}, &c.$  are respectively denoted by  $\dot{x}, \dot{y}, \dot{z}, &c.$  and their *Second Fluxions*, or the *Fluxions* of

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\* This was, in effect, allowed by the ancient Geometrijans, Euclid, Archimedes, &c.

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of  $z$ ,  $y$ ,  $x$ , &c. by  $\ddot{z}$ ,  $\ddot{y}$ ,  $\ddot{x}$ , &c. their *Third Fluxions*, or the *Fluxions* of  $\ddot{z}$ ,  $\ddot{y}$ ,  $\ddot{x}$ , &c. by  $\dddot{z}$ ,  $\dddot{y}$ ,  $\dddot{x}$ , &c. And so on. Also; the *Moment*, *Increment*, or *Decrement*, of  $z$ , is denoted by  $z'$ , of  $y$  by  $y'$ , of  $x$  by  $x'$ , &c. And, the *Second Moments*, *Increments*, or *Decrements* of  $z$ ,  $y$ ,  $x$ , &c. or the *Moments*, *Increments* or *Decrements* of  $z'$ ,  $y'$ ,  $x'$ , &c. by  $z''$ ,  $y''$ ,  $x''$ , &c. And so on.—The *Fluxions* and *Increments*, &c. of *invariable Quantities*, viz. of  $a$ ,  $b$ ,  $c$ ,  $d$ ,  $e$ , &c. are  $=0$ .

8. *Note.* THOSE *Fluents* which are supposed to be generated in the same Time, or in equal Times, are called *contemporary Fluents*; and the *Fluxions* of these *contemporary Fluents*, are called *contemporary Fluxions*. Now, it is evident, if two, or more, of these *contemporary Fluents*, are always equal, or in any certain constant Ratio to each other, that their *contemporary Fluxions* will likewise be equal, or in the same Proportion: And that, on the contrary, if two, or more, of these *contemporary Fluxions* are always equal, or in any certain constant Ratio to each other, their *contemporary Fluents* will likewise be equal, or in the same Proportion.

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WE come now to find the *Fluxions* of *Fluents*, or the *Velocities* with which *flowing Quantities* increase or decrease at any Terms assigned; the Business of which, is called the *Direct Method of Fluxions*. But, before we proceed, it may, perhaps, be necessary to premise a few Things concerning

### THE NEW METHOD OF NOTATION IN ALGEBRA \*.

9. THE Index of the Power to which any Quantity is to be raised, is here placed as the Numerator of a Fraction, whose Denominator is the Index of the Root to be extracted.

Thus,  $\sqrt[3]{xx}$  is here expressed by  $x^{\frac{2}{3}}$  or  $x^{\frac{2}{3}}$ ; and  $\sqrt[3]{xxx}$  by  $x^{\frac{3}{3}}$ ; and  $\sqrt{x}$  by  $x^{\frac{1}{2}}$ ; and  $\sqrt{a+x}$  by  $\sqrt{a+x}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ : Also  $\frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{xx}}$  is expressed by  $\frac{1}{x^{\frac{2}{3}}}$  or  $x^{-\frac{2}{3}}$ ; and  $\sqrt{\frac{1}{a+x}}$  by  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{a+x}^{\frac{1}{2}}}$  or  $\sqrt{a+x}^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ ; and  $\frac{1}{x^3}$  by  $x^{-3}$ .

Now, in any geometrical Progression, whose first Term is *Unity*, or 1; if we take an arithmetical Progression, whose first Term

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\* This was introduced by the celebrated Dr. *Wallis*.

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is 0, and whose second Term (or common Difference) is the Index of the Quantity in the second Term of the geometrical Progression; then, the Number in any Term of the arithmetical Progression, will be the Index of the Quantity in the corresponding Term of the geometrical Progression; And therefore, the arithmetical Mean between the Numbers in any two Terms of arithmetical Progression, will be the Index of the geometrical Mean between the Quantities in the two corresponding Terms of the geometrical Progression.

Thus, in the geometrical Progression  $1 \cdot x^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot x^1 \cdot x^{\frac{3}{2}} \cdot x^2 \cdot x^{\frac{5}{2}} \cdot x^3 \cdot \&c.$ , where the common Multiplier is  $x^{\frac{1}{2}}$ ; if we take the arithmetical Progression  $0 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot 1 \cdot \frac{3}{2} \cdot 2 \cdot \frac{5}{2} \cdot 3 \cdot \&c.$  wherein the common Difference, or Quantity added, is  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; the Number in either of the Terms of the arithmetical Progression, is the Index of the Quantity in the corresponding Term of the geometrical Progression: And the arithmetical Mean between the Numbers in any two Terms of the arithmetical Progression, is the Index of the geometrical Mean between the Quantities in the two corresponding Terms of the geometrical Progression. For Instance,  $\frac{3}{2}$ , the 4th Term

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Term of the arithmetical Progression, is the Index of  $x^{\frac{1}{2}}$ , the 4th Term of the geometrical Progression: And, the arithmetical Mean between  $\frac{1}{2}$  and  $\frac{3}{2}$  (the 2d and 6th Terms of the arithmetical Progression) which is  $\frac{2}{2}$ , is the Index of the geometrical Mean between  $x^{\frac{1}{2}}$  and  $x^{\frac{3}{2}}$  (the same two Terms of the geometrical Progression) which is  $x^1$ . — So likewise, in the descending geometrical Progression, or Series,  $1, \frac{1}{x}, \frac{1}{x^2}, \frac{1}{x^3}, \frac{1}{x^4}$

$\frac{1}{x^5}, \frac{1}{x^6}$  &c. i. e.  $1, x^{-1}, x^{-2}, x^{-3}, x^{-4}, x^{-5}, x^{-6}$  &c.

where the common Divisor is  $x^{\frac{1}{2}}$ ; if we take the arithmetical Series  $0, -\frac{1}{2}, -1, -\frac{3}{2}, -2, -\frac{5}{2}, -3$  &c. the Number in any Term of the arithmetical Series, will be the Index of the Quantity in the corresponding Term of the geometrical Series: Thus,  $-\frac{3}{2}$ , the 4th Term of the arithmetical Series, is the Index of  $x^{-\frac{3}{2}}$ , the same Term of the geometrical Series. And, the arithmetical Mean between any two Terms in the arithmetical Series, is the Index of the geometrical Mean between the same two Terms in the geometrical Series: As, for Instance, the arithmetical Mean between  $-\frac{1}{2}$  and  $-\frac{3}{2}$  (the 2d and 6th Terms of the arithmetical Series) which is

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$-\frac{1}{2}$ , is the Index of the geometrical Mean between  $x^{-\frac{1}{2}}$  and  $x^{-\frac{3}{2}}$  (the 2d and 6th Terms of the geometrical Series) which is  $x^{-1}$ .

HENCE, we may observe, that, in the Exponents of Powers, Addition has the Effect of Multiplication on the respective Roots; and Multiplication of Involution: And, *e contra*, Subtraction of Division; and Division of Evolution: Or that, in a Word, Exponents of Powers, are entirely *Logarithmical* with regard to their Roots.

So that  $x^2 \times x^{\frac{1}{2}}$  is  $= x^{2+\frac{1}{2}} = x^{\frac{5}{2}}$ ;  $\frac{x^2}{x^{\frac{1}{2}}}$  is  $= x^{2-\frac{1}{2}} = x^{\frac{3}{2}}$ ;  $(x^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$  is  $= x^{2 \times \frac{1}{2}} = x^1 = x$ ;  $x^{\frac{1}{2}}$  is  $= x^{\frac{1}{2} \times 2} = x^1 = x$ ;  $x^{\frac{1}{2}}$  is  $= x^{\frac{1}{2} \times 4} = x^2$ . And, Universally,  $x^m \times x^n$  is  $= x^{m+n}$ ;  $\frac{x^m}{x^n}$  is  $= x^{m-n}$ ;  $(x^m)^n$  is  $= x^{mn}$ ;  $(x^m)^{\frac{1}{n}}$  is  $= x^{\frac{m}{n}}$ ; and  $\frac{(x^m)^a}{x^{\frac{a}{n}}}$  is  $= x^{ma-\frac{a}{n}} =$

$x^{\frac{mn-1}{n}a}$ : Where *Note*,  $a$ ,  $m$ ,  $n$ , represent any affirmative, or negative Whole-numbers, or Fractions whatever.

If what has been said, be duly considered, no Difficulty in this *New Notation* will occur; the Knowledge of which, is absolutely necessary, in Order to the well understanding the following Chapters.

CHAP.

## C H A P. II.

*Of finding the FLUXION of a given FLUENT.*

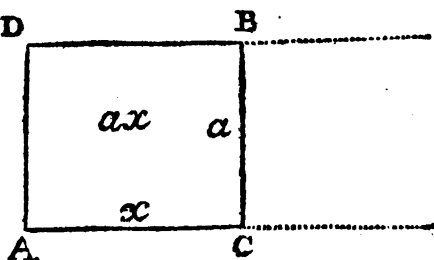
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10. *To find the Fluxion of a simple Fluent; or, of that wherein there is but one variable Letter.*

MARK the variable Letter, or flowing Term, with a Dot over it.

Thus, the  
Fluxion of  
 $ax$  is  $= a\dot{x}$ .

For, if we  
suppose the  
variable Rec-  
tangle A B,



to be generated by the given Line C B, setting out from the Situation A D, and moving along with a parallel Motion between the parallel and indefinite Sides A C and D B; it is evident, the Velocity with which the Rectangle flows, is equal to the generating Line C B drawn into the Velocity with which the Point C generates, or moves along the Line A C: that is, the *Fluxion* of the Rectangle A B, is equal to the invariable  
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Line C B drawn into the *Fluxion* of the flowing or variable Line A C. Therefore, if A D or C B  $= a$ , and A C or D B  $= x$ , then the *Fluxion* of the Rectangle  $a x$  will be  $= a \times \dot{x} = a \dot{x}$ .

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II. To find the *Fluxion* of the *Product* of two or more *Quantities* drawn into each other.

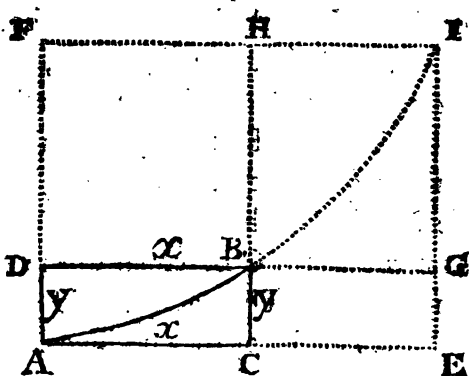
MULTIPLY the *Fluxion* of each *Quantity* separately, by the other, or the *Product* of the rest of the *Quantities*: And the Sum of these *Products* will be the *Fluxion* required.

Thus, the *Fluxion* of  $x y$  is  $= \dot{x} y + x \dot{y}$ ; the *Fluxion* of  $a x y$  is  $= o x y + a \dot{x} y + a x \dot{y}$ , i. e.  $= a \dot{x} y + a x \dot{y}$ ; the *Fluxion* of  $x y z$  is  $= \dot{x} y z + x \dot{y} z + x y \dot{z}$ ; and the *Fluxion* of  $a x y z$  is  $= a \dot{x} y z + a x \dot{y} z + a x y \dot{z}$ .

1<sup>o</sup>. THAT the *Fluxion* of  $x y$  is  $= \dot{x} y + x \dot{y}$ , may be thus demonstrated.

Suppose a Line, coincident with the indefinite right Line A F, to move with a parallel Motion along the indefinite right Line A E; and, at the same Time, another, coincident with the Line A E, to move with a parallel Motion along the Line A F; and that the said two Lines move with such different Degrees of Velocity, that their Points  
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draw CH parallel to AF, and DG parallel to AE. — Then, by the Line moving along the Line AE, will the curvilinear Space AEI and Rectangle DE be generated; and, by the Line moving along the Line AF, the curvilinear Space AFI and Rectangle CF will be generated. Now, *before* the Line moving along the Line AE arrives at the Situation CH, it is evident, that, the curvilinear Space AEI will increase *slower*, or flow with a *less* Degree of Velocity than the Rectangle DE, and *afterwards* with a *greater*; therefore, *at* the Term CB, they will flow with *one* and the *same* Degree of Velocity. So likewise, the curvilinear Space AFI will flow or increase *slower*, or with a *less* Degree of Velocity, than the Rectangle CF, *before* the generating Line, moving along

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along the Line A F, comes to the Situation D G; and *afterwards, faster*, or with a *greater* Degree of Velocity; and therefore, at the Term D B, they will increase or flow with an *equal* Degree of Velocity. That is, the *Fluxion* of the curvilinear Space A E I, is, at the Term C B, equal to the *Fluxion* of the Rectangle D E at the said Term C B; and, the *Fluxion* of the curvilinear Space A F I, is, at the Term D B, equal to the *Fluxion* of the Rectangle C F at the same Term D B. But, by *Article 10.* the *Fluxion* of the Rectangle D E, at the Term C B, is equal to C B drawn into the *Fluxion* of A C; and the *Fluxion* of the Rectangle C F, at the Term D B, is equal to D B drawn into the *Fluxion* of A D. Hence, therefore, the *Fluxion* of the flowing Rectangle A C B D (which is the Sum of the two curvilinear Spaces A C B and A D B,) is equal to the Sum of C B drawn into the *Fluxion* of A C, added to D B drawn into the *Fluxion* of A D: that is, if we put A C or D B =  $x$ , and A D or C B =  $y$ , the *Fluxion* of the Rectangle  $x y$  will be =  $\dot{x} y + x \dot{y}$ .

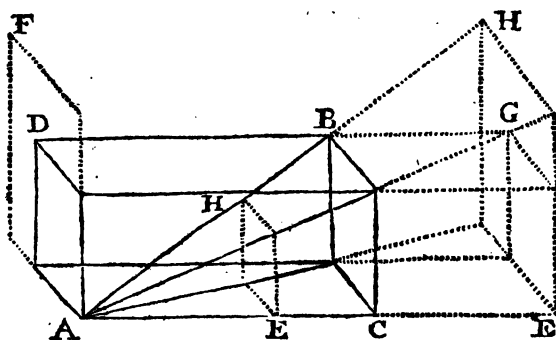
2°. HENCE, and from *Article 8.* the *Fluxion* of  $a x y$  is =  $a \dot{x} y + a x \dot{y}$ ; for, since  $x y$  is always in the fixt Ratio to  $a x y$ , of 1 to



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to  $a$ ; therefore the *Fluxion* of  $xy$  is to the *Fluxion* of  $axy$ , as 1 to  $a$ : that is,  $1:a :: \dot{x}y + x\dot{y} : a\dot{x}y + a\dot{x}\dot{y} =$  the *Fluxion* of  $axy$ .

3°. AND, that the *Fluxion* of  $xyz$  is  $= \dot{x}yz + x\dot{y}z + xy\dot{z}$ , may thus be proved. Let the Length, Breadth, and Depth, of a Parallelopipedon, be represented by  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$ , respectively. Now, this Parallelopipedon, will be equal to three Pyramids, whose Bases are  $xy$ ,  $xz$ , and  $yz$ , and Altitudes  $z$ ,  $y$ , and  $x$ , respectively: And therefore, the *Sum* of the *Fluxions* of these Pyramids, will be equal to the *Fluxion* of the Parallelopipedon  $xyz$ . Let either of the Pyramids be represented as in the *Fig.* by  $A E H$  or



ACB, which suppose to be generated by the variable Plane  $A F$  moving with a parallel

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lel Motion along the indefinite right Line AE; and, at the same Time, let the Parallelopipedon ADGE (whose Face AD or EG is equal and similar to the Base of the Pyramid at the Term CB,) be generated by the Plane AD, which is coincident with the Plane AF. Now, it is plain, that, the Pyramid will increase *slower*, or flow with a *less* Degree of Velocity, than the Parallelopipedon, *before* the generating Planes arrive at the Term CB; and *afterwards, faster*, or with a *greater* Degree of Velocity; Therefore, *at* the said Term CB, they will flow, or be generated, with the *same* or an *equal* Degree of Velocity; But, it is likewise plain, that, the Velocity with which the Parallelopipedon is generated, is equal to its Face AD or CB drawn into the Velocity of its Motion along the Line or Side AE; therefore, the Velocity with which the Pyramid is generated, is, at the Term CB, equal to its Base CB drawn into the Velocity of its Motion, at the Point C, along the Side AE; that is, the *Fluxion* of the Pyramid ACB, is equal to its Base CB drawn into the *Fluxion* of its Altitude AC. Hence then, when the Base is  $x y$  and Altitude  $z$ , the *Fluxion* of the Pyramid is  $=xyxz=xyz$ ; and, when the

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the Base is  $xz$  and Altitude  $y$ , the *Fluxion* of it is  $\dot{x}z + x\dot{z} = \dot{x}y + x\dot{y}$ ; and, lastly, when the Base is  $yz$  and Altitude  $x$ , its *Fluxion* is  $\dot{y}z + y\dot{z} = \dot{x}y + x\dot{y}$ . Consequently,  $\dot{x}yz + x\dot{y}z + xy\dot{z}$  (which is the *Sum* of the *Fluxions* of the three Pyramids,) is  $\dot{x}y + x\dot{y}$  the *Fluxion* of the Parallelopipedon  $xyz$ .

Or thus. PUT  $xy = v$ ; then  $xyz = vz$ , and (*Art.* 8. and *Dem.* 1<sup>o</sup>.)  $\dot{v} = \dot{x}y + x\dot{y}$ ; and, the *Fluxion* of  $vz$ , viz.  $\dot{v}z + v\dot{z}$  is  $\dot{x}y + x\dot{y}$  the *Fluxion* of  $xyz$ : Therefore, by Restitution, or writing  $xy$  for  $v$ , and  $\dot{x}y + x\dot{y}$  for  $\dot{v}$ , we shall have the *Fluxion* of  $xyz = \dot{x}yx + x\dot{y}z + xy\dot{z}$ ; as before.

4<sup>o</sup>. AND that the *Fluxion* of  $axyz$  is  $\dot{a}xyz + a\dot{x}yz + ax\dot{y}z$ , follows from *Art.* 8. and the above *Dem.* 3<sup>o</sup>. for since  $xyz : axyz :: 1 : a$ , therefore  $1 : a :: \dot{x}yz + x\dot{y}z + xy\dot{z} : \dot{a}xyz + a\dot{x}yz + ax\dot{y}z$ ; i. e.  $1 : a :: \dot{x}yz + x\dot{y}z + xy\dot{z} : \dot{a}xyz + a\dot{x}yz + ax\dot{y}z$  the *Fluxion* of  $axyz$ .

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12. THE *Fluxion* of  $xx$  is  $\dot{x}x + x\dot{x}$ ; the *Fluxion* of  $axx$  is  $\dot{a}xx + a\dot{x}x$ ; the *Fluxion* of  $xxx$  is  $\dot{x}xx + x\dot{x}x + xx\dot{x}$ ; the *Fluxion* of  $xxxx$  is  $\dot{a}xxx + a\dot{x}xx + ax\dot{x}x + xxx\dot{x}$ : that is, the *Fluxion* of  $x^2$  is  $2x\dot{x}$ ; the *Fluxion* of  $ax^2$

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is  $= 2ax\dot{x}$ ; the *Fluxion* of  $x^3$  is  $= 3x^2\dot{x}$   
 the *Fluxion* of  $ax^3$  is  $= 3ax^2\dot{x}$ . And, if  $m$   
 represents any *affirmative* or *positive* Whole-  
 number, the *Fluxion* of  $x^m$  will be  $= mx^{m-1}\dot{x}$ ;  
 and the *Fluxion* of  $ax^m$  will be  $= max^{m-1}\dot{x}$ .

R U L E III.

13. *To find the Fluxion of a Fraction.*

M U L T I P L Y the Denominator into the  
*Fluxion* of the Numerator; from the Pro-  
 duct of which, subtract the Numerator drawn  
 into the *Fluxion* of the Denominator: Then,  
 divide the Remainder by the Square of the  
 Denominator; and you will have the *Fluxion*  
 of the *Fraction* required.

Thus, the *Fluxion* of  $\frac{x}{y}$  is  $= \frac{\dot{x}y - x\dot{y}}{y^2}$ .

For, putting  $z = \frac{x}{y}$ ; then  $yz = x$ ; and the

*Fluxion* of this Equation (*Art.* 8. and 11.) is  
 $y\dot{z} + y\dot{z} = \dot{x}$ ; therefore, by Transposition  $y\dot{z} = \dot{x}$   
 $- y\dot{z}$ , and, by Division,  $\dot{z} = \frac{\dot{x} - y\dot{z}}{y}$ ; that is,

(by Restitution, or writing  $\frac{x}{y}$  for  $z$  its e-  
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qual,)  $\dot{z} = \frac{\dot{x} - y\dot{x}\dot{y}}{y} = \frac{\dot{x}y - x\dot{y}}{y^2} =$  the *Fluxion*  
of  $\frac{x}{y}$ .

Also, the *Fluxion* of  $\frac{1}{x}$  is  $= \frac{-\dot{x}}{x^2}$ . For,

if we put  $z = \frac{1}{x}$ ; then  $xz = 1$ , and the

*Fluxion* of  $xz$  will be  $=$  the *Fluxion* of  $1$ ,  
which (*Art. 7.*) is  $= 0$ ; i. e. (*Art. 11.*)

$\dot{x}z + x\dot{z} = 0$ : Therefore,  $x\dot{z} = -\dot{x}z$ , and  $\dot{z}$

$= \frac{-\dot{x}z}{x}$  (which, by writing for  $z$  its equal

$\frac{1}{x}$ , is)  $= \frac{-\dot{x}}{x^2} =$  the *Fluxion* of  $\frac{1}{x}$ .

And, after the same Manner, it may be  
proved, that, the *Fluxion* of  $\frac{1}{x^2}$  is  $= \frac{-2x\dot{x}}{x^4}$ ,

i. e.  $= \frac{-2\dot{x}}{x^3}$ . Thus, put  $z = \frac{1}{x^2}$ ; then,  $zx^2$

$= 1$ , and the *Fluxion* of this, (by *Art. 7.*  
*11.* and *12.*) is  $\dot{z}x^2 + 2zx\dot{x} = 0$ ; therefore,

$\dot{z}x^2 = -2zx\dot{x}$ , and  $\dot{z} = \frac{-2zx\dot{x}}{x^2}$  (which, by

writing  $\frac{1}{x^2}$  for its Value  $z$ , is)  $= \frac{-2x\dot{x}}{x^4} = \frac{-2\dot{x}}{x^3}$

$=$  the *Fluxion* of  $\frac{1}{x^2}$ .

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And thus it may be proved, that, the  
*Fluxion* of  $\frac{1}{x^3}$  is  $= \frac{-3x^2\dot{x}}{x^6} = \frac{-3\dot{x}}{x^4}$ ; that  
the *Fluxion* of  $\frac{1}{x^4}$  is  $= \frac{-4x^3\dot{x}}{x^8} = \frac{-4\dot{x}}{x^5}$ : And  
so on.

But, by the *New Notation* (*Article 9.*)

$\frac{1}{x}$  is  $= x^{-1}$ ;  $\frac{1}{x^2}$  is  $= x^{-2}$ ;  $\frac{1}{x^3}$  is  $= x^{-3}$ ;  $\frac{1}{x^4}$   
is  $= x^{-4}$ ; &c. And,  $\frac{-\dot{x}}{x^2}$  is  $= x^{-2}\dot{x}$ ;  $\frac{-2\dot{x}}{x^3}$   
is  $= -2x^{-3}\dot{x}$ ;  $\frac{-3\dot{x}}{x^4}$  is  $= -3x^{-4}\dot{x}$ ;  $\frac{-4\dot{x}}{x^5}$   
is  $= -4x^{-5}\dot{x}$ ; &c.

HENCE,

14. THE *Fluxion* of  $x^{-1}$  is  $= -x^{-2}\dot{x}$ ;  
the *Fluxion* of  $x^{-2}$  is  $= -2x^{-3}\dot{x}$ ; the *Fluxion*  
of  $x^{-3}$  is  $= -3x^{-4}\dot{x}$ ; the *Fluxion* of  $x^{-4}$   
is  $= -4x^{-5}\dot{x}$ ; &c. And, if  $m$  be made to  
represent any *Negative Whole-number*, the  
*Fluxion* of  $x^m$  will be  $= mx^{m-1}\dot{x}$ .

### RULE IV.

15. To find the *Fluxion* of an *Expression* com-  
pounded of different *Terms* or *Quantities*  
connected together by the Signs  $+$  and  $-$ .

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FIND the *Fluxion* of each Term by the preceding *Rules*; which connect together with the Signs of the respective Terms; and you will have the *Fluxion* required.

Thus the *Fluxion* of  $ax + y^2 - z$  is  $\dot{a}x + 2yy\dot{y} - \dot{z}$ . For, putting  $ax + y^2 - z = v$ ; then  $ax + y^2 = v + z$ : And, it is evident, the *Sum* of the *Fluxions* of  $ax$  and  $y^2$  must be equal to the *Sum* of the *Fluxions* of  $v$  and  $z$ ; that is,  $\dot{a}x + 2yy\dot{y} = \dot{v} + \dot{z}$ ; therefore, by Transposition,  $\dot{a}x + 2yy\dot{y} - \dot{z} = \dot{v}$  = the *Fluxion* of  $ax + y^2 - z$ .

And, the *Fluxion* of  $x - a^2y + xy$  is  $\dot{x} - a^2\dot{y} + \dot{x}y + x\dot{y}$ . And, the *Fluxion* of  $ax^2 + x - \frac{x}{y}$  is  $2ax\dot{x} + \dot{x} - \frac{\dot{x}y - x\dot{y}}{y^2}$ .

### RULE V.

16. To find the *Fluxion* of any Power of a *Fluent* or flowing Quantity; whether the Index be Integral or Fractional, Affirmative or Negative.

MULTIPLY the whole Term by the *Index* of the Power; then subtract 1 from the said *Index*; and multiply this whole Term by the *Fluxion* of the Root of the *Fluent*:  
and

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and you will have the *Fluxion* of the *Power* required.

Thus, the *Fluxion* of  $\overline{x+x^2}^3$  is =  
 $\overline{3xx+x^2}^{3-1} \times \dot{x} + 2x\dot{x}$ , i. e. =  $\overline{x+x^2}^2 \times$   
 $\overline{3\dot{x}+6x\dot{x}}$ ; the *Fluxion* of  $\overline{a+x}^{-2}$  is = —  
 $\overline{2xa+x}^{-2-1} \times \dot{x}$ , i. e. =  $\overline{a+x}^{-3} \times -2\dot{x}$ ;  
the *Fluxion* of  $\overline{2ax-x^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$  is =  $\frac{1}{2} \times \overline{2ax-x^2}^{\frac{1}{2}-1}$   
 $\times \overline{2a\dot{x}-2x\dot{x}}$ , i. e. =  $\overline{2ax-x^2}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \times \overline{a\dot{x}-x\dot{x}}$ ,  
i. e. (because by *Article* 9.  $\overline{2ax-x^2}^{-\frac{1}{2}}$  is =  
 $\frac{1}{\overline{2ax-x^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}}$ ), =  $\frac{a\dot{x}-x\dot{x}}{\overline{2ax-x^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}}$ ; the *Fluxion* of  
 $\overline{x-a}^{\frac{2}{3}}$  is =  $\frac{2}{3} \times \overline{x-a}^{\frac{2}{3}-1} \times \dot{x}$ , i. e. = —  
 $\frac{2}{3} \times \overline{x-a}^{-\frac{1}{3}} \times \dot{x}$ , i. e. =  $\frac{1}{\overline{x-a}^{\frac{1}{3}}} \times -\frac{2}{3} \dot{x}$ , i. e.  
=  $\frac{-2\dot{x}}{3 \cdot \overline{x-a}^{\frac{1}{3}}}$ . And, Univerſally, the *Fluxion*

of  $x^{\frac{m}{n}}$  is =  $\frac{m}{n} \times \overline{x^{\frac{m}{n}}}^{-1} \times \dot{x}$ , i. e. =  $\frac{m}{n} x^{\frac{m}{n}-1} \dot{x}$ ;

where, either  $m$  or  $n$ , or both, may be ei-  
ther Integral or Fractional, Affirmative or  
Negative: So that, the Index  $\frac{m}{n}$ , expreſſes,

or represents, any affirmative or negative  
Whole - number or Fraction whatſoever.

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For, by *Art.* 12. and 14. if  $m$  represents any affirmative or negative Whole-number, the *Fluxion* of  $x^m$  will be  $=mx^{m-1}\dot{x}$ ; therefore,

if we suppose  $y = x^{\frac{m}{n}}$ , or, which is the same,  $y^n = x^m$  ( $n$  being any affirmative or negative Whole-number likewise,) by *Art.* 8. we have  $ny^{n-1}\dot{y} = mx^{m-1}\dot{x}$ , which divided by  $ny^{n-1}$ , makes  $\dot{y} = \frac{mx^{m-1}\dot{x}}{ny^{n-1}}$ , i. e. (by writ-

ing  $x^{\frac{m}{n}}$  for  $y$  its Value,)  $\dot{y} = \frac{mx^{m-1}\dot{x}}{n \times x^{\frac{m}{n} \times n - 1}} = \frac{m}{n} x^{\frac{m}{n} - 1} \dot{x}$

$$\frac{x^{m-1}\dot{x}}{x^{\frac{mn-m}{n}}} = \frac{m}{n} x^{m-1} \dot{x} = \frac{m}{n} x^{\frac{mn-m}{n}} \dot{x} = \frac{m}{n} x^{\frac{m}{n}-1} \dot{x},$$

which is  $=$  the *Fluxion* of  $x^{\frac{m}{n}}$ , as before; therefore, &c. And that  $m$  or  $n$ , or both, may represent any Fractions as well as Whole-numbers, is plain, since this  $\frac{m}{n}$  expresses the Quotient of any Whole-number divided by another, and may be taken for a New  $m$  or  $n$ ; and so on *ad infinitum*.

## RULE VI.

17. To find the Fluxion of a Logarithm.

THE *Fluxion* of the Hyperbolic Logarithm of any Quantity, is equal to the *Fluxion* of that Quantity, divided by the Quantity itself.

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(This we shall hereafter demonstrate. See Appendix, *Quest.* 11.)

Thus, the *Fluxion* of the Hyp. Log. of  $x$  is  $= \frac{\dot{x}}{x}$ . The *Fluxion* of the Hyp. Log. of

$\frac{x}{a+x}$  is  $= \frac{\dot{x}}{a+x}$ . The *Fluxion* of the

Hyperbolic Logarithm of  $x + \sqrt{a^2 + x^2}$  is  $= \frac{\dot{x}}{\sqrt{a^2 + x^2}}$ ; (for the *Fluxion* of  $x + \sqrt{a^2 + x^2}$  is

$\dot{x} + \frac{x\dot{x}}{\sqrt{a^2 + x^2}} = \frac{\dot{x}\sqrt{a^2 + x^2} + x\dot{x}}{\sqrt{a^2 + x^2}} = \frac{\dot{x}}{\sqrt{a^2 + x^2}}$

$\times x + \sqrt{a^2 + x^2}$ , which divided by  $x + \sqrt{a^2 + x^2}$ , gives  $\frac{\dot{x}}{\sqrt{a^2 + x^2}}$ ). The *Fluxion* of the Hyp.

Log. of  $\frac{a+x}{a-x}$  is  $= \frac{2 a \dot{x}}{a^2 - x^2}$ ; (for the *Fluxion*

of  $\frac{a+x}{a-x}$  (*Art.* 13) is  $= \frac{\dot{x} \times a - x + \dot{x} \times a + x}{a-x|^2}$ ,

i. e.  $= \frac{2 a \dot{x}}{a-x|^2}$ , which divided by  $\frac{a+x}{a-x}$ ,

gives  $\frac{2 a \dot{x} \times a - x}{a-x|^2 \times a+x}$ , i. e.  $\frac{2 a \dot{x}}{a-x \times a+x}$  i. e.

$\frac{2 a \dot{x}}{a^2 - x^2}$ ). And, the *Fluxion* of the Hyp.

Log. of  $\sqrt{a^2 + x^2 + 2ax + x^2}$  is  $= \frac{\dot{x}}{2ax + x^2|^{\frac{1}{2}}}$ ; (for

(for the *Fluxion* of  $a+x+\sqrt{2ax+x^2}$  is  $\dot{x} +$

$$\frac{a\dot{x} + x\dot{x}}{2ax+x^2|^{\frac{1}{2}}} = \frac{\dot{x}\sqrt{2ax+x^2} + a\dot{x} + x\dot{x}}{2ax+x^2|^{\frac{1}{2}}} =$$

$$\frac{\dot{x}}{2ax+x^2|^{\frac{1}{2}}} \times a+x+\sqrt{2ax+x^2}, \text{ which di-}$$

vided by  $a+x+\sqrt{2ax+x^2}$ , gives  $\frac{\dot{x}}{2ax+x^2|^{\frac{1}{2}}}$ ).

Now, as the Hyp. Log. of 10 (*viz.* 2.3025850929, &c. See *Appendix*, Question 12.) : is to the common Log. of 10 (*viz.* 1.) :: so is the Hyp. Log. of any Number,  $x$ , : to the common Log. of that same Number,  $x$ ; that is, if we put  $L=2.3025$  &c. As  $L:1::$  Hyp. Log. of  $x$  : common Log. of  $x$  (and therefore *Article 8.*) :: *Fluxion* of Hyp. Log. of  $x$  : *Fluxion* of common Log. of  $x$ .

HENCE we have  $L:1::\frac{\dot{x}}{x}:\frac{\dot{x}}{Lx}=$  the

*Fluxion* of the common Log. of  $x$ ; or, be-

cause  $\frac{1}{L}=0.4342944819$  &c. if we put

this  $\frac{1}{L}=M$ , then the *Fluxion* of the com-

mon Log. of  $x$  (*viz.*  $\frac{\dot{x}}{Lx}$ ) will be  $=\frac{\dot{x}}{x} \times M$ ;

i.e. the *Fluxion* of the Hyp. Log. of any

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Number, multiplied by (M or) 0.434294 &c. gives the *Fluxion* of the common Log. of that same Number.

18. *Note.* IT is sometimes expedient, in Order to find the *Fluxion* of an Equation, to divide it by one, or more, of the variable Quantities contained in most of the Terms: And to substitute single Letters for compound Quantities.

Thus, if the Equation were  $xy + a - axy + y^2 = yz$ ; divide both Sides of it by  $y$ : then it will be  $x + \frac{a}{y} - ax + y = z$ ; and the

*Fluxion* of this Equation is  $\dot{x} - \frac{a\dot{y}}{y^2} - a\dot{x} + \dot{y} = \dot{z}$ . — And, if the Equation were  $x - by + \frac{x^2y}{z} = az$ ; substitute  $v$  for  $\frac{x^2y}{z}$ : then  $x - by + v = az$ ; and this Equation put into *Fluxions*, is  $\dot{x} - b\dot{y} + \dot{v} = a\dot{z}$ .

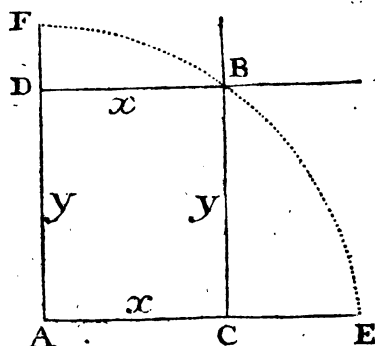
19. *Note.* HITHERTO we have supposed, when one variable Quantity in any *Fluent* increases, that the others, if any, increase likewise: But, it often happens, that some of them *decrease*, while the others *increase*; in which Case, the *Fluxions* of the *decreasing* are *Negative* with respect to those of the *increasing* Quantities; and therefore, the Signs of

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of the Terms which are affected with them, ought to be *Negative*.

Thus, if whilst  $x$  increases,  $y$  decreases; the *Fluxion* of the Rectangle  $xy$ , will not be expressed by  $xy + \dot{xy}$ , but by  $xy - \dot{xy}$ .

For, let the flowing or variable Rectangle  $AB$ , be continually increasing by the parallel Motion of the variable Line  $CB$  moving from the Situation  $AF$  along the Line  $AE$ ; and, continually diminishing by the Motion of the variable Line  $DB$ , parallel to the Line  $AE$ , and approaching towards it along



the Line  $FA$ ; that is, let the Side  $AC = DB$  continually increase, while the Side  $AD = CB$  continually decreases. Now (putting  $AC = x$ , and  $AD = y$ ,) it follows from *Art. II. Dem. 1<sup>o</sup>*. that the *Fluxion* of the Increase will be  $\dot{xy}$ , and that the *Fluxion* of the Decrease

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*crease* will be  $\dot{xy}$ ; therefore the *Fluxion* of the *Decrease*, subtracted from the *Fluxion* of the *Increase*, leaves  $\dot{xy} - \dot{xy}$  = the *Fluxion* of the Rectangle  $xy$ ; or, the *Velocity* with which it flows.

UNDERSTAND the same, of the *Fluxion* of any *Fluent* of a like Nature whatsoever.

IF what has been already delivered, be thoroughly understood, (and it is in dispensibly necessary it should;) it is hoped, the Learner will meet with but few Difficulties in the Application thereof: to which we now proceed.

## C H A P. III.

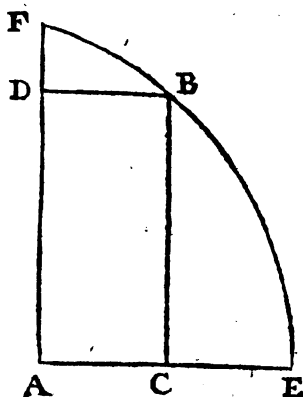
*Of finding the Maxima and Minima (or Greatest and Least) of variable Quantities.*

20. **A** MAXIMUM, is the *greatest* Magnitude of a variable Quantity; which naturally increases before it arrives at that Magnitude, and as naturally decreases afterwards: And, a MINIMUM, is the *least* Magnitude of a variable Quantity; which naturally decreases before it arrives at that Magnitude, and afterwards as naturally increases.

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creases. Therefore, at that certain Term, where a Quantity becomes a MAXIMUM or MINIMUM, it can neither be increasing nor decreasing, and consequently its *Fluxion* is = 0.

21. Thus (for an Illustration,) in the curvilineal Space AEF, let the equal and parallel Sides AC and DB, of the inscribed and flowing Rectangle AB, be continually *increasing*, while the other equal and parallel Sides AD and



CB are continually *decreasing*; that is, let the Rectangle be *increased* by the Motion of the variable and decreasing Side CB, and *decreased* by the Motion of the variable and increasing Side DB. Now, it is evident, that, while the Rectangle is increasing faster or with a greater Degree of Velocity, by the Motion of the Line CB, than it is decreasing by the Motion of the Line DB, it will be continually *increasing*; and, that, when it is decreasing faster, or with a greater Degree of Velocity, by the Motion of the Line DB, than

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than it is increasing by the Motion of the Line CB, it will be continually *decreasing*: Therefore, when these two Degrees of Velocity become equal, the Rectangle will be a *Maximum*; which will then be neither *increasing* nor *decreasing*; or, the *Velocity*, or *Fluxion*, with which it is increasing (which is Affirmative,) added to the *Velocity*, or *Fluxion*, with which it is decreasing (which is Negative,) gives the *Velocity*, or *Fluxion*, with which it flows  $= 0$ . — And, it being manifest, that, when the Rectangle AB becomes a *Maximum*, the Sum of the Spaces FDB and BCE will be a *Minimum*; therefore, when the Sum of the said Spaces is a *Minimum*, the *Fluxion* of the increasing Space FDB, will be equal to the *Fluxion* of the decreasing Space ECB; and therefore, the former being Affirmative, and the latter Negative, their Sum is  $= 0$ .

22. Now, when a Quantity becomes a *Maximum* or *Minimum*, and is expressed by two or more affirmative and negative Terms, in which is contained but one variable Letter; it is evident the *Fluxions* of the affirmative and negative Terms will be equal, since their Sum  $= 0$ . — And, when in the Expression for the *Fluxion* of a *Maximum* or *Mini-*



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*Minimum*, there are two or more *fluxionary* Letters, each contained in both affirmative and negative Terms; the Sum of the Terms affected with either of them will likewise be  $=0$ . Thus, if a *Minimum* be expressed by  $ax - 2xy + by$ , whose *Fluxion* is  $a\dot{x} - 2\dot{x}y - 2x\dot{y} + b\dot{y} = 0$ ; then it will be  $a\dot{x} - 2\dot{x}y = 0$ , and  $b\dot{y} - 2x\dot{y} = 0$ : For, in Order for any Expression to be a *Maximum* or *Minimum*, in which are contained two or more variable Quantities, it must produce either a *Maximum* or *Minimum*, if but one of those Quantities is supposed to be variable: And therefore, if in this Expression of the *Minimum*,  $y$  be made invariable, the *Fluxion* of it will be  $a\dot{x} - 2\dot{x}y = 0$ ; and if  $x$  be invariable, it will be  $-2x\dot{y} + b\dot{y} = 0$ .

23. *Note 1.* IN curvilineal Spaces, it is, in effect, the same Thing to seek the greatest Area that can be contained under a given Perimeter, as to seek a given Area under the least Perimeter: And, the same holds good, in respect of Solids and their Surfaces.

*Note 2.* WHEN any Quantity is a *Maximum* or *Minimum*, all the Powers of it will be so too; as will also, the Product or Quotient arising from its being multiplied or divided by any invariable or given Quantity.

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Thus, if  $\frac{a}{b} \sqrt{ax-x^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ , or  $\sqrt{a^2+x^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} - \frac{b}{c} x$   $\times d$ , represents a *Maximum* or *Minimum*, then  $ax-x^2$ , or  $\sqrt{a^2+x^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} - \frac{b}{c} x$ , will also be a *Maximum* or *Minimum*; and consequently, its *Fluxion* must be  $=0$ .

*Note 3.* GENERALLY, when a variable Quantity admits of a *Maximum*, its *Minimum* is nothing: and, when it admits of a *Minimum*, its *Maximum* is infinite.

#### EXAMPLE I.

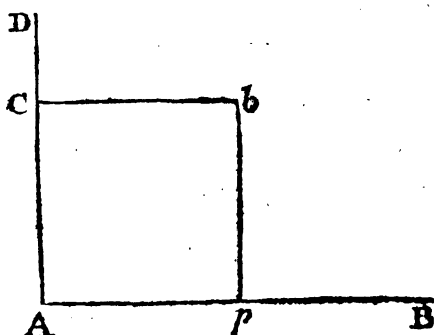
24. To find the  $\overset{A}{\text{Point } p, \text{ in the }} \underset{B}{\text{Line } AB}$ , where the Rectangle of the Parts  $Ap$  into  $pB$  is a *Maximum*, or greater than any other Rectangle  $An$  into  $nB$ .

PUT the given right Line  $AB = a$ , and  $Ap = x$ ; then will  $pB$  be  $= a - x$ ; and  $Ap \times pB = xa - x^2 = ax - x^2 =$  a *Maximum*, by the *Quest.* therefore, (the *Fluxion* of a *Maximum* being  $=0$ ,) the *Fluxion* of  $ax - x^2$  is  $=0$ ; that is (*Art. 15.*)  $a\dot{x} - 2x\dot{x} = 0$ . Now, this *Fluxion* divided by  $\dot{x}$ , makes  $a - 2x = 0$ ; therefore,  $a = 2x$ , and  $x = \frac{1}{2}a$ . Consequently, the Rectangle of the Parts  $Ap$

$Ap$  and  $pB$  is a *Maximum*, or the greatest possible, when these Parts are equal.

Or thus. PUT  $Ap=x$ , and  $pB=y$ ; then  $Ap \times pB=xy=a$  *Maximum*. Now, it is evident, that, if  $x$  increases,  $y$  must decrease; therefore (*Art. 19.*)  $\dot{x}$  and  $\dot{y}$  are Negative to each other, and consequently, when  $xy$  is a *Maximum*, the *Fluxion* of it will be  $\dot{xy}=0$ . But, it is likewise evident, that, the Velocity with which  $x$  increases, is equal to the Velocity with which  $y$  decreases; or that, the *Increment* of  $x$  is equal to the *Decrement* of  $y$ ; that is,  $\dot{x}=\dot{y}$ : Therefore, by striking both  $\dot{x}$  and  $\dot{y}$  out, in the above *Fluxion* of  $xy$ , we shall have  $y-\dot{x}=0$ ; and therefore  $x=y$ ; as before.

Or thus. IN the variable Rectangle  $Ab$ ,



let the Side  $pb$  (which is equal and parallel to the Side  $AC$ ) always be equal to  $pB$ :

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then while the Rectangle is increasing by the Motion of the decreasing Side  $pb$ , moving from A towards B, it will be decreasing by the Motion of the increasing Side  $bC$ , moving from D towards A. Now, since the *Velocities* of the Points  $p$  and C, or the *Fluxions* of the Sides  $Ap$  and  $AC$ , are always equal, (as they evidently must be, because the Sum of these Sides is always the same;) therefore, as long as the Side  $Ap$  continues *less* than the Side  $AC$  (or  $pb$ ) the Rectangle will be continually *increasing*; and after the Side  $Ap$  becomes *equal* to the Side  $pb$ , it will be continually *decreasing*: Therefore, when the Rectangle is a *Maximum*, or when it is neither increasing nor decreasing, the Sides  $Ap$  and  $pb$  are equal to each other, or  $Ap=pb=pB$ ; as before.

#### EXAMPLE II.

25. To find the  
Point  $p$  in  $A \xrightarrow{\quad P \quad} B$   
the given right Line  $AB$ , when  $\overline{Ap}^m \times \overline{pB}^n$   
is a Maximum.

PUT the given right Line  $AB=a$ , and  
 $Ap=x$ ; then  $pB=a-x$ , and  $\overline{Ap}^m \times \overline{pB}^n =$   
 $x^m \times \overline{a-x}^n =$  a *Maximum*; therefore the  
*Fluxion*

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*Fluxion* of  $x^m \times a - x^n$  is  $= 0$ ; that is (*Art.* 11. and 16.)  $mx^{m-1}\dot{x} \times a - x^n + n.a - x^n - 1 \times x - \dot{x}xx^m = 0$  (i. e.)  $mx^{m-1}\dot{x} \times a - x^n - nx \overline{a-x}^{n-1}\dot{x}xx^m = 0$ : Now, by dividing this Equation by  $x^{m-1}\dot{x}$ , we have  $m.\overline{a-x}^n - nx \overline{a-x}^{n-1}x = 0$ ; therefore  $m.\overline{a-x}^n = nx \overline{a-x}^{n-1}x$ ; which Equation divided by  $\overline{a-x}^{n-1}$ , gives  $m.\overline{a-x} = nx$ , i. e.  $ma - mx = nx$ ; therefore  $mx + nx = ma$ , and  $x = \frac{m}{m+n}a$ ; whence the Point  $p$  is determined.

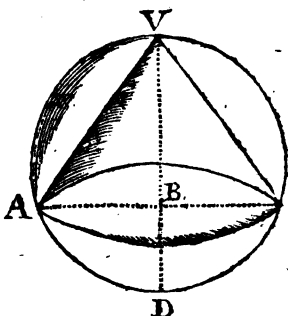
Or thus. PUT  $Ap = x$ , and  $pB = y$ ; then  $y^ny^m = a$  *Maximum*; which put into *Fluxions*, (because when  $y$  increases  $x$  decreases, or the *Fluxions* of  $y^n$  and  $x^m$  are negative to each other; *Art.* 19.) is  $ny^{n-1}\dot{y}xx^m - mx^{m-1}\dot{x}xy^n = 0$ : But  $\dot{x}$  and  $\dot{y}$  are equal, (*Art.* 24.) therefore, throw both  $\dot{x}$  and  $\dot{y}$  out; then it will be  $ny^{n-1}x^m - mx^{m-1}y^n = 0$ , or  $ny^{n-1}x^m = mx^{m-1}y^n$ : Now, by dividing both Sides of this Equation by  $y^{n-1}x^{m-1}$ , we have  $nx = my$ ; therefore,  $m:n::x:y$ . So that, the Segments  $Ap$  and  $pB$ , are in direct Proportion to the Powers in the *Maximum*.

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EXAMPLE III.

26. To find a Cone inscribed in a given Sphere, whose convex Surface shall be a Maximum.

PUT the Diameter of the given Sphere  $(VD) = a$ ; the Altitude of the inscribed Cone  $(VB) = x$ ; and  $3.14159 \text{ \&c.} = c$ : then  $BD = a - x$ .



Now, by a well known Property of Circles,  $VB \times BD = \overline{BA}^2$ ; that is,  $ax - x^2 = \overline{BA}^2$ : And, by 47 E. I.  $AV = \sqrt{VB^2 + \overline{BA}^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ ; that is,  $AV = \sqrt{x^2 + ax - x^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} = \sqrt{ax}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ : But,  $BA \times c = \sqrt{ax - x^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} \times c = \sqrt{c^2 ax - c^2 x^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{c}{2}$  the Circumference of the Cone's Base; which drawn into its slant Height  $(AV =) \sqrt{ax}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ , is  $\sqrt{c^2 ax - c^2 x^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} \times \sqrt{ax}^{\frac{1}{2}} = \sqrt{c^2 a^2 x^2 - c^2 ax^3}^{\frac{1}{2}} =$  its curve Superficies, which by the *Question* must be a *Maximum*; therefore,  $c^2 a^2 x^2 - c^2 ax^3 =$  the *Square* of a *Maximum*, or, is a *Maximum* also, (*Art.* 23. *Note* 2.) and its *Fluxion* therefore is  $= 0$ ;

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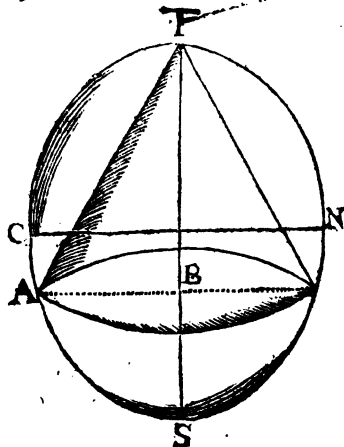
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i. e.  $2c^2axx - 3c^2ax^3 = 0$ ; which divided by  $c^2axx$ , gives  $2a - 3x = 0$ ; therefore  $3x = 2a$ , and  $x = \frac{2}{3}a$ . So that, the convex Surface of the Cone will be the greatest, when its Altitude is  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the Sphere's Diameter.

27. *N. B.* There was no need of introducing  $c$  in the above; for  $VA \times AB =$  a *Maximum*, the Radii of Circles being as their Circumferences: And therefore, in such like Cases, we shall omit inserting it, as often as may be, in the following Examples.

## EXAMPLE IV.

28. To find the largest Cone that can be inscribed in a given Spheroid, viz. whose Transverse and Conjugate Diameters,  $TS$  and  $CN$ , are  $a$  and  $b$ .



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PUT the Altitude of the inscribed Cone,  $BT, = x$ ; then  $BS = TS - TB = a - x$ . Now, by a well known Property of Ellipses,  $\overline{TS}^2 : \overline{CN}^2 :: TB \times BS : \overline{AB}^2$ , i. e.  $a^2 : b^2 :: x \times a - x : \frac{ab^2x - b^2x^2}{a^2} = \overline{BA}^2$ , which (*Art.*

27.) drawn into  $(\frac{1}{2} BT)^{\frac{1}{2}} x$ , gives  $\frac{ab^2x^2 - b^2x^3}{3a^2} = a \text{ Maximum}$ : Consequently

(*Art.* 23. *Note* 2.)  $ax^2 - x^3 = a \text{ Maximum}$ , whose *Fluxion* is  $= 0$ , i. e.  $2ax\dot{x} - 3x^2\dot{x} = 0$ ; which divided by  $x\dot{x}$ , gives  $2a - 3x = 0$ : Consequently  $3x = 2a$ , and  $x = \frac{2}{3}a$ ; that is, the Altitude of the Cone must be  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the Diameter of the Spheroid.

## EXAMPLE V.

29. *To find the internal Dimensions of a cylindrical Cup, whose Capacity is given = a, when the Cup is made with the least possible Quantity of Silver of a given thickness.*

PUT the Diameter  $= x$ , and  $.78539 \&c. = c$ ; then  $cx^2 =$  the Area of the Bottom, and therefore  $\frac{a}{cx^2} =$  the Altitude: But  $4cx$  being  $=$  the Circumference of the Bottom; therefore



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fore  $4cx \times \frac{a}{cx^2} = \frac{4a}{x}$  = the infide curve Superfi-

cies : Hence  $cx^2 + \frac{4a}{x}$  = the whole infide Su-

perficies ; which, because the Quantity of Silver is the least poffible, is a *Minimum* ;

therefore the *Fluxion* of  $cx^2 + \frac{4a}{x}$  muft be =

0, i. e.  $2cx\dot{x} - \frac{4a\dot{x}}{x^2} = 0$  ; which multiplied by

$x^2$ , is  $2cx^3\dot{x} - 4a\dot{x} = 0$  ; and this divided by  $2\dot{x}$ , is  $cx^3 - 2a = 0$  ; therefore  $cx^3 = 2a$ , and

$x = \sqrt[3]{\frac{2a}{c}}$  = the Diameter ; which fubftituted

for  $x$ , makes the above  $\frac{a}{cx^2} = \frac{a}{c \times \sqrt[3]{\frac{2a}{c}}^2}$

$= \frac{a \times \sqrt[3]{\frac{2a}{c}}}{c \times \frac{2a}{c}} = \frac{1}{2} \times \sqrt[3]{\frac{2a}{c}} =$  the Altitude. So

that, the Diameter is to the Altitude, as 2 to 1.

Or thus. PUT the Diameter =  $x$ , Altitude =  $y$ , and .78539 &c. =  $c$  ; then the whole infide Superficies will be  $= cx^2 + 4cxy$  = a *Minimum* ; the *Fluxion* of which (fup-

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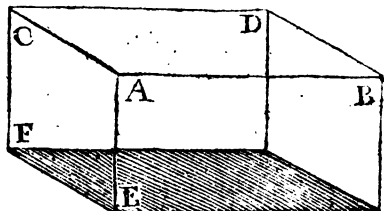
crease, or  $\dot{x}$  and  $\dot{y}$  Negative to each other, as they evidently must be,) is  $2c\dot{x}\dot{x}+4c\dot{x}\dot{y}-4c\dot{x}\dot{y}=0$ : But, by the *Quest.*  $c\dot{x}^2\dot{y}=a$ ; which in *Fluxions* (because the *Fluxion* of  $a$  is  $=0$ ), is  $2c\dot{x}\dot{x}\dot{y}-c\dot{x}^2\dot{y}=0$ ; therefore, by Transposition,  $c\dot{x}^2\dot{y}=2c\dot{x}\dot{x}\dot{y}$ , which Equation divided by  $c\dot{x}^2$ , makes  $\dot{y}=\frac{2c\dot{x}\dot{x}\dot{y}}{c\dot{x}^2}=\frac{2\dot{x}\dot{y}}{\dot{x}}$ : Now, this

Value of  $\dot{y}$  being substituted for it in the above *Fluxion* of the *Minimum*, makes it  $2c\dot{x}\dot{x}+4c\dot{x}\dot{y}-8c\dot{x}\dot{y}=0$ ; which divided by  $2c\dot{x}$ , is  $\dot{x}+2\dot{y}-4\dot{y}=0$ , i. e.  $\dot{x}-2\dot{y}=0$ : Consequently  $\dot{x}=2\dot{y}$ ; as before.

### EXAMPLE VI.

30. To find the internal Dimensions of a Cistern in the Form of a rectangular Solid, i. e. whose Bottom and all four Sides are rectangular; when its Capacity is  $=a$ , and made with the least possible Quantity of Lead of a given thickness.

PUT the inside Length A B or C D  $=x$ ,



Breadth AC or BD  $=y$ , and Depth AE, or  
CF

CF =  $z$ ; then  $xyz = a$ , and therefore  $x = \frac{a}{yz}$ . Now, the inside Superficies of the Bot-

tom and four Sides, is =  $AB \times BD + 2BA \times AE + 2CA \times AE$ , i. e. =  $xy + 2xz + 2yz$  (or, by substituting  $\frac{a}{yz}$  for  $x$ ,) =  $\frac{a}{z} + \frac{2a}{y} + 2yz$ ;

which, because the Cistern is made with the least possible Quantity of Lead, is = a *Minimum*; and therefore its *Fluxion* is = 0; that

is,  $-\frac{a\dot{z}}{z^2} - \frac{2a\dot{y}}{y^2} + 2\dot{y}z + 2y\dot{z} = 0$ . Now (*Art.*

22.) the Sum of the Terms affected with  $\dot{y}$  is = 0, and the Sum of the Terms affected with  $\dot{z}$  is = 0; that is,  $-\frac{2a\dot{y}}{y^2} + 2\dot{y}z = 0$ , and

$-\frac{a\dot{z}}{z^2} + 2y\dot{z} = 0$ ; the first of which two E-

quations multiplied by  $y^2$ , is  $-2a\dot{y} + 2y^2\dot{y}z = 0$ , and this divided by  $2\dot{y}$ , is  $-a + y^2z = 0$ ,  $\therefore y^2z = a$  (which by the above is)  $= xyz$ ; therefore  $y = x$ : And the second of the said two Equations multiplied by  $z^2$ , is  $-a\dot{z} + 2yz^2\dot{z} = 0$ , which divided by  $\dot{z}$ , is  $-a + 2yz^2 = 0$ ,  $\therefore 2yz^2 = a =$  (by the above,)  $xyz$ ; therefore  $2z = x$ . Hence  $x = y = 2z$ ; that is, the Length and Breadth will be equal, and each equal to twice the Depth.

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Or thus. THE Length, Breadth, and Depth, being  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$ , respectively; and the inside Superficies  $= xy + 2xz + 2yz = a$  *Minimum*, as before: If we suppose  $x$  and  $y$  to increase, then  $z$  must decrease; i. e. the *Fluxions* of  $x$  and  $y$  being Affirmative, the *Fluxion* of  $z$  will be Negative; and therefore, the *Fluxion* of the *Minimum* will be  $\dot{x}y + x\dot{y} + 2\dot{x}z - 2x\dot{z} + 2\dot{y}z - 2y\dot{z} = 0$ : But, by the *Quest.*  $xyz = a$ , the *Fluxion* of which Equation (the *Fluxion* of  $a$  being  $= 0$ , and the *Fluxion* of  $z$  being Negative,) is  $\dot{x}yz + x\dot{y}z - xy\dot{z} = 0$ ;  $\therefore \dot{z} = \frac{\dot{x}yz + x\dot{y}z}{xy} = \frac{\dot{x}z}{x} + \frac{\dot{y}z}{y}$ , which substituted for  $\dot{z}$ , in the *Fluxion* of the *Minimum*, makes it  $\dot{x}y + x\dot{y} - \frac{2x\dot{y}z}{y} - \frac{2x\dot{y}z}{x} = 0$ ; therefore (*Art.* 22.)  $\dot{x}y - \frac{2x\dot{y}z}{x} = 0$ , and  $x\dot{y} - \frac{2x\dot{y}z}{y} = 0$ : Now, the first of these two Equations multiplied by  $\frac{x}{xy}$ , is  $x - 2z = 0$ ;  $\therefore x = 2z$ ; and the second of them multiplied by  $\frac{y}{xy}$ , is  $y - 2z = 0$ ,  $\therefore y = 2z$ . So that  $x = y = 2z$ ; as before.

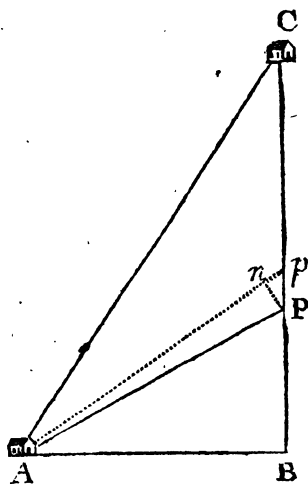
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*N. B.* In this last Method of Solution, either of the Quantities  $x$ ,  $y$ , or  $z$ , might have been supposed to decrease while the others increase; or, but one of them to increase while the others decrease: and the Conclusions would have come out exactly the same.

## EXAMPLE VII.

31. *A Gentleman wants to ride from the City A to the City C, the Cities being a Miles apart: Now from A to B, which is b Miles,*



*or from A to any Place P in the Road CB which is perpendicular to the Road BA, he can ride after the rate of c Miles an Hour; but*

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but from B to C he can ride faster, or after the rate of  $d$  Miles an Hour. To find P, the Place to which he must directly ride, in order to perform his Journey in the least possible Time.

By 47 E. 1.  $BC = \sqrt{CA^2 - AB^2} = \sqrt{e^2 - b^2}$ , which put  $= e$ ; also let  $BP = x$ ; then  $PC = e - x$ ; therefore, by Question  $\frac{e-x}{d}$  = the

Number of Hours the Gentleman will be riding from P to C. Again, by 47 E. 1.  $AP = \sqrt{PB^2 + BA^2} = \sqrt{x^2 + b^2}$ ; therefore, by Question  $\frac{\sqrt{x^2 + b^2}}{c}$  = the Number of Hours

he will be riding from A to P. Hence we have  $\frac{\sqrt{x^2 + b^2}}{c} + \frac{e-x}{d}$  = the Number of Hours

he will be performing his Journey; which, by Question must be a Minimum: the Fluxion of it therefore is  $= 0$ ; that is,  $\frac{\frac{1}{2} \times \sqrt{x^2 + b^2}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \times 2x\dot{x}}{c}$

$$-\frac{\dot{x}}{d} = 0, \text{ i. e. } \frac{\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + b^2}} \times 2x\dot{x}}{c} - \frac{\dot{x}}{d} = 0, \text{ i. e.}$$

$$\frac{x\dot{x}}{c \times \sqrt{x^2 + b^2}} - \frac{\dot{x}}{d} = 0; \text{ which multiplied by } cdx$$

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$c dx \sqrt{x^2 + b^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ , gives  $dx \dot{x} - c x \dot{x} \sqrt{x^2 + b^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} = 0$ ,  
 and this transposed and divided by  $\dot{x}$ , is  
 $dx = c x \sqrt{x^2 + b^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ ; the Square of which is  $d^2 x^2$   
 $= c^2 x^2 + c^2 b^2$ ; therefore  $d^2 x^2 - c^2 x^2 = c^2 b^2$ ,  
 and  $x^2 = \frac{c^2 b^2}{d^2 - c^2}$ ; consequently  $x = \frac{c b}{d^2 - c^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$   
 $= B P$ .

*Or thus.* LET  $A p$  be supposed indefinitely  
 near to  $AP$ , and the little circular Arch  $P n$   
 be described with the Radius  $A P$ ; that is,  
 let  $P p$  express the nascent or indefinitely  
 small *Increment* of  $B P$ , and  $np$  that of  $A P$ .  
 Now, it is evident, if  $P$  be the Place to  
 which he must directly ride, that the *Incre-*  
*ments*  $P p$  and  $np$  must be to each other as  $d$   
 to  $c$ , since then only can they be passed over  
 in the same Time; but, the little Triangle  
 $Pnp$  is (or may be taken as) similar to the  
 right angled Triangle  $ABP$ ; (for, the Arch  
 $P n$  being indefinitely small, may be confi-  
 dered as a little right Line perpendicular to  
 $A p$ ; so likewise, the Angle  $P A p$  being in-  
 definitely little, the Angle  $A p B$  or  $np P$  may  
 be considered as equal to the Angle  $A P B$ ,  
 and therefore the Angle  $p P n$  as equal to  
 the Angle  $P A B$ .) Consequently,  $d : c ::$   
 $AP : PB$ : But, when the Hypothenuſe and  
 Perpendicular are  $d$  and  $c$ , the Base, by 47

E. I.

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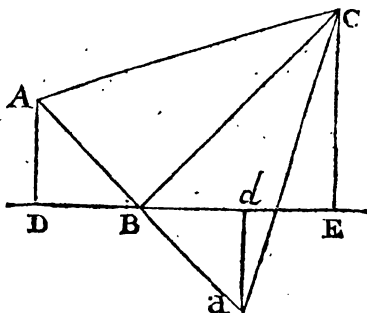
E. I. will be  $\sqrt{d^2 - c^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ . Hence, therefore,

$$\sqrt{d^2 - c^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} : (AB) b :: c : \frac{bc}{\sqrt{d^2 - c^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}} = BP; \text{ as}$$

before.

EXAMPLE VIII.

32. *Let the Triangle ABC have one Angle B in the right Line DE: To find a Maximum of the Sum of its Perpendiculars AD and CE dropt from the other two Angles on the right Line aforesaid:*



N. B.  $AB=3=a$ ,  $BC=4=b$ , and the  $\angle ABC=90^\circ$ .

PUT  $DB=x$ ; then, by 47 E. I.  $AD=\sqrt{AB^2 - BD^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} = \sqrt{a^2 - x^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ . Now, because the  $\angle ABC$  is right, the  $\angle CBE$  is the Complement of the  $\angle ABD$ , and therefore is  $= \angle BAD$ ; consequently the Triangles ABD and



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and CBE are similar; therefore  $AB:BD::BC:CE$ , i. e.  $a:x::b:\frac{bx}{a}=CE$ . Hence

$$\text{we have } AD + CE = \sqrt{a^2 - x^2} + \frac{bx}{a} = a$$

*Maximum*, by *Quest.* the *Fluxion* of which is therefore  $= 0$ ; that is,  $\frac{1}{2}x\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}^{-\frac{1}{2}}x - 2x\dot{x} + \frac{b\dot{x}}{a} = 0$ , i. e.  $-\frac{x\dot{x}}{\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}} + \frac{b\dot{x}}{a} = 0$ ;

which multiplied by  $\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}^{-\frac{1}{2}}x$ , gives  $-ax\dot{x} + \sqrt{a^2 - x^2}^{-\frac{1}{2}}bx = 0$ ; therefore, by Transposition and dividing by  $\dot{x}$ , we have  $ax = \sqrt{a^2 - x^2}^{-\frac{1}{2}}b$ , by Involution  $a^2x^2 = a^2b^2 - b^2x^2$ ; consequently  $a^2x^2 + b^2x^2 = a^2b^2$ , and  $x^2 = \frac{a^2b^2}{a^2 + b^2}$ ; therefore  $x = \frac{ab}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}} = 2.4$ . Hence

$$AD + CE (\sqrt{a^2 - x^2} + \frac{bx}{a}) = 1.8 + 3.2 =$$

5 = the Sum of the Perpendiculars, when that Sum is the greatest possible; and which, by 47 E. 1. is = the Hypothenuſe AC.

Or (without the help of Fluxions) thus. Produce AB to *d*, making  $aB = BA$ ; draw the Line *aC*; and perpendicular to DE draw *ad*: Then will the Triangles B a C and B A C be equal and similar; and the Perpendicular *ad* be equal and parallel to the

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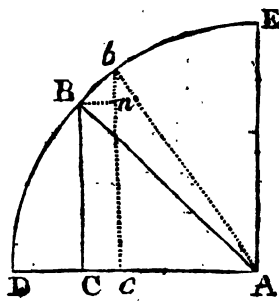
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Perpendicular  $DA$ . Now, it is evident, that, the Line  $aC$ , in every Situation, will be greater than the Sum of the Perpendiculars  $a d$  and  $CE$ , excepting when it is perpendicular to the Line  $DE$ ; and that then, the said Perpendiculars will coincide with, and their Sum be equal to it. Therefore, the *Maximum* of the Sum of the Perpendiculars  $a d$  and  $CE$ , or of  $AD$  and  $CE$ , is equal to the Side of the Triangle,  $aC$  or  $AC$ ; which, (when the  $\angle aBC$  or  $ABC$  is a right Angle, and  $aB$  or  $BA = 3$ , and  $BC = 4$ , as in the present Case,) by 47 E. 1. is  $= 5$ ; as before.

EXAMPLE IX.

33. To find the greatest right angled Triangle  $ACB$  that can be inscribed in the given Quadrant  $ADE$ ; the right Angle being formed by the Sine and Cosine  $BC$  and  $CA$ .



PUT the Radius or Hypotenuse  $AB = a$ , and  $AC = x$ ; then, by 47 E. 1.  $CB = \sqrt{a^2 - x^2}$ ; therefore, by Question  $\frac{1}{2} x \sqrt{a^2 - x^2}$   
 $= a$

$\equiv$  a *Maximum*  $\equiv \sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{4}a^2x^2 - \frac{1}{4}x^4}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ ; or  $a^2x^2 - x^4 \equiv$  a *Maximum*; the *Fluxion* of which is  $\equiv 0$ , i. e.  $2a^2x\dot{x} - 4x^3\dot{x} \equiv 0$ ; which divided by  $2x\dot{x}$  makes  $a^2 - 2x^2 \equiv 0$ ; therefore  $x^2 \equiv \frac{1}{2}a^2$ : Consequently  $AC \equiv CB$ .

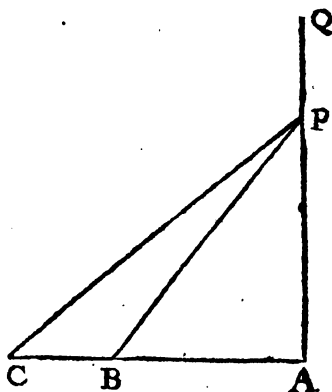
*Or thus.* PUT  $AB \equiv a$ ,  $AC \equiv x$ ,  $CB \equiv y$ ,  $DB \equiv z$ ; and suppose the Point  $b$  indefinitely near to  $B$ ,  $bc$  parallel to  $BC$ , and  $Bn$  equal and parallel to  $Cc$ , i. e. let  $Bn \equiv x'$ , and  $Bb \equiv z'$ . Now, if we consider the Increment  $Bb$  as a little right Line perpendicular to the Radius  $AB$ , the Angles  $nBb$  and  $CBA$  will be equal, and consequently the little right angled Triangle  $Bnb$  will be similar to the right angled Triangle  $BCA$ : therefore  $AB:BC :: bB:Bn$ , i. e.  $a:y :: z':x'$ , or  $a:y :: \dot{z}:\dot{x}$ ,  $\therefore \dot{z} \equiv \frac{a\dot{x}}{y}$ . But, when the Triangle

$ACB$  is a *Maximum*, it is plain that  $AB \times \frac{1}{2}\dot{z}$  is  $\equiv BC \times \dot{x}$ , i. e.  $\frac{1}{2}a\dot{z} \equiv y\dot{x}$ ,  $\therefore \dot{z} \equiv \frac{2y\dot{x}}{a} \equiv$  (by the above,)  $\frac{a\dot{x}}{y}$ :

whence  $2y^2\dot{x} \equiv a^2\dot{x}$ , and  $2y^2 \equiv a^2 \equiv x^2 + y^2$ . Therefore  $x \equiv y$ , or  $AC \equiv CB$ ; as before.

EXAMPLE X.

34. In the right Line AC, which is perpendicular to the indefinite right Line AQ, given  $AB=a$ , and  $BC=b$ : To find the Point P, where the Angle BPC is a Maximum.



Put  $AC=a+b=c$ , and  $AP=x$ ; then,  
 by 47 E. 1.  $BP = \sqrt{a^2+x^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ , and  $CP = \sqrt{c^2+x^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ . Now, by Trigonometry,  $BP$  :  
 Radius  $\therefore AP : s\angle ABP$ , i. e. (putting Rad.  
 $=1$ ,)  $\sqrt{a^2+x^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} : 1 :: x : \frac{x}{\sqrt{a^2+x^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}} = s\angle ABP$   
 $= s\angle CBP$ ; and  $CP : s\angle CBP :: CB :$   
 $s\angle BPC$ , i. e.  $\sqrt{c^2+x^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} : \frac{x}{\sqrt{a^2+x^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}} :: b :$

$bx$

$\frac{bx}{a^2+x^2|^{\frac{1}{2}} \times c^2+x^2|^{\frac{1}{2}}} = s\angle BPC = \text{a Maximum,}$   
 because the said Angle is a *Maximum* by  
 Q, the *Fluxion* of which is therefore  $=0$ ; i.e.  
 $\frac{b\dot{x} \times a^2 + x^2 \times c^2 + x^2 - bx^2 \dot{x} \times c^2 + x^2 - bx^2 \dot{x} \times a^2 + x^2}{a^2+x^2|^{\frac{1}{2}} \times c^2+x^2|^{\frac{1}{2}}}$   
 $=0$ ; which multiplied by  $a^2+x^2|^{\frac{1}{2}} \times c^2+x^2|^{\frac{1}{2}}$ ,  
 and divided by  $b\dot{x}$ , gives  $a^2+x^2 \times c^2+x^2 -$   
 $x^2 \times c^2 + x^2 - x^2 \times a^2 + x^2 = 0$ , i. e.  $a^2 c^2 - x^4$   
 $=0$ ;  $\therefore x^4 = a^2 c^2$ , and  $x^2 = ac$ , and  $x =$   
 $a c^{\frac{1}{2}}$ : Whence, by Analogy,  $a : x :: x : c$ ;  
 that is, A P is a geometrical Mean between  
 the Distances A B and A C, when the Angle  
 BPC is a *Maximum* or the greatest possible.

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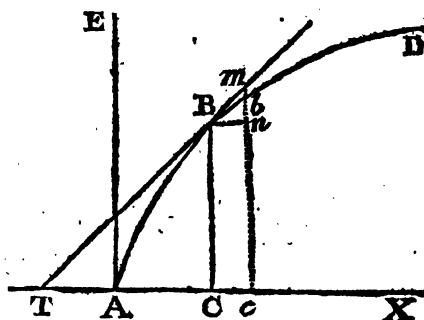
##### *Of drawing TANGENTS to CURVES.*

25. **A** *Tangent*, is a right Line which co-  
 incides with a Curve in a Point, and  
 there shews its Direction, that is, the Inclina-  
 tion it bears to the Axis, or the Angle it  
 makes with the Ordinate.

Thus, if the right Line T B coincides  
 with any Point B of the Curve A D, that  
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Line is a *Tangent* to it at that Point. And, because no two Lines can coincide unless they have the same Direction; therefore the



Direction of the Tangent, is properly the Direction of the Curve in the Point of contact.

Now, what is requisite, in order to draw the Tangent, is to find the right Line C T (called the Subtangent,) or the Distance of the Point T from the Ordinate CB, to which the Tangent must be drawn. To effect which,

36. LET  $cb$  be supposed parallel to the Ordinate CB, and  $Bn$  equal and parallel to  $Cc$ : then, if the Line  $cb$  be removed towards CB, in a parallel Motion, until it coincides with it; the Moment before its coincidence, the Triangle  $Bnb$  will be in its *evanescent* State; or, which is the same Thing, if the said  
two

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two Lines be separated from their coincidence, the very first Moment of their Separation produces the said Triangle in its *nascent* State; and in that Moment, the Line *nb*, terminated by the Line *B n* at one End, and by the Curve at the other, comes indefinitely near to touch the Tangent *T B* produced: Consequently, the Triangles *b n B* and *B C T* come then indefinitely near to similarity, and may be considered as similar: Wherefore,  $b n : n B :: B C : C T$ ; that is (putting Absciss  $AC = x$ , Ordinate  $CB = y$ ,  $Cc = Bn = x'$ , and  $bn = y'$ ,)  $y' : x' :: y : x$ ;  $\frac{x'y}{y} = CT$ ; or (*Article 6.*)  $y : x :: y : \frac{xy}{y} = CT$ .

37. Or (to find the same Expression for the Subtangent *CT*, without the help of *Increments* :) Suppose the indefinite right Line *AE* to move with a parallel and uniform Motion along the Axis *AX*; and, at the same Time, a Point to move from *A* along the said Line *AE*, with such Velocity, as always to be in the Curve *AD*: then, when the Line *AE* comes to the Situation *CB*, if the Point moving along thereon were to continue on with an uniform Motion, and with the same Degree of Velocity with which  
it

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it arrives at B, it is evident, it would move along the Tangent TB produced; and therefore, when the Point A or C arrives at *c*, the Point moving along the Line A E would arrive at *m*: and, because Velocity is always as the Space uniformly described in a given Time, therefore C*c* or B*n* will be as the Velocity with which the Point A moves along the Axis, *nm* as the Velocity with which the Point moves from B along the Line A E, and B*m* as the Velocity with which the Point describes the Curve at B, or, moves from B to *m*: that is, C*c* or B*n* will be as the *Fluxion* of the Absciss A C, *nm* as the *Fluxion* of the Ordinate C B, and B*m* as the *Fluxion* of the Curve at the Point B: But the Triangles *m**n*B and B C T are similar; therefore, *m* *n* : *n* B :: B C : C T; that is, *Fluxion* of the Ordinate : *Fluxion* of the Absciss :: B C : C T; or (putting A C = *x*, and C B = *y*, )  $\dot{y} : \dot{x} :: y :$   
 $\frac{\dot{x}y}{\dot{y}} = C T$ ; as before.

38. N o w, this ( $\frac{\dot{x}y}{\dot{y}}$ ) is a general Expression for the Subtangent of every Curve whose Absciss is *x* and Ordinate *y*; but, as it is embarrased with the *Fluxions* of *x* and *y*, so our whole Business is to exterminate them:  
 To



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To do which; put the Equation of the Curve into *Fluxions*; from which, or from other Properties of the Curve, find the Value of  $\dot{x}$  in Terms that are all affected with  $\dot{y}$ , or, of  $\dot{y}$  in Terms that are all affected with  $\dot{x}$ ; then, if for  $\dot{x}$  or  $\dot{y}$ , we substitute its Value, thus found, in this general Expression  $\frac{\dot{x}y}{\dot{y}}$ , we shall have the Subtangent CT in *finite* or known Terms freed from *Fluxions*; by which the sought Tangent TB, to a given Point in the Curve, may be easily drawn.

39. *Note.* WHEN  $\dot{x}$  and  $\dot{y}$  are negative to each other (*Art.* 19.) the general Expression ( $\frac{\dot{x}y}{\dot{y}}$ ) for the Subtangent, will be —  $\frac{\dot{x}y}{\dot{y}}$ ; where the negative Sign only shews, that, the Subtangent lies on the other Side of the Ordinate, with regard to the Absciss  $x$ : For though —  $\frac{\dot{x}y}{\dot{y}}$  may be, and really is, a negative algebraic Quantity; yet it may also represent a geometrical Quantity, which is always Affirmative: And, as every Subtangent is in its own Nature positive; therefore, the negative Sign, either in the general or de-

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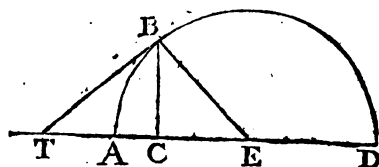
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finitive Expression, only shews where we must look for the Subtangent; that is, whether  $x$ , the Absciss, or some Part of it, be, (as in the affirmative Expression it always is,) or be not, (as in the negative it never is,) included in the Subtangent.

## EXAMPLE I.

40. *To draw a Tangent to a Circle.*

Put the Absciss  $AC = x$ , Ordinate  $CB = y$ , and Radius  $EA$  or  $ED = a$ ; then  $CD =$



$2a - x$ . Now, by a well known Property of Circles,  $AC \times CD = CB^2$ , i. e.  $2ax - x^2 = y^2$ : And this Equation put into *Fluxions*, is  $2a\dot{x} - 2x\dot{x} = 2y\dot{y}$ ; which divided by  $2a - 2x$ , makes  $\dot{x} = \frac{2y\dot{y}}{2a - 2x} = \frac{y\dot{y}}{a - x}$ ; which substituted for  $\dot{x}$  in the general Expression for the Subtangent (*viz.*  $\frac{x\dot{y}}{\dot{y}}$ , *Art.* 38.) makes the Subtangent  $CT = \frac{y^2}{a - x}$  (which, by writing

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ing  $2ax - x^2$  for its above Value, viz.  $y^2$ , is)  

$$= \frac{2ax - x^2}{a - x} = \frac{CB^2}{EC}$$

Wherefore, if the Distance signified by this Expression, be set off from the Point C, in the Diameter DA produced; we shall then have the Point T, to which the Tangent from the Point B must be drawn.

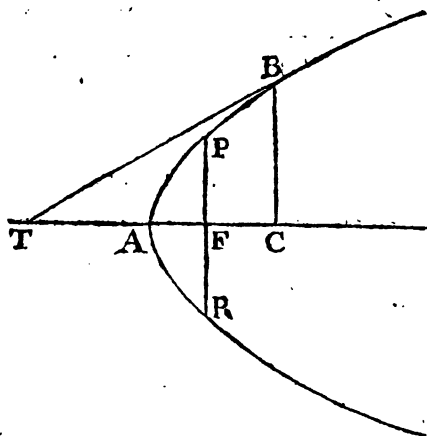
N, B. The Subtangent above, may be found otherwise, by the similarity of Triangles only: For, the  $\angle EBT$  being a right one; the right angled Triangles ECB and BCT will be similar; and therefore,  $EC : CB :: BC : CT$   

$$= \frac{CB^2}{EC}$$
; as before.

## EXAMPLE II.

41. *To draw a Tangent to the common or conic Parabola.*

SUPPOSE F to be the Focus; and P R the Parameter, which put  $= a$ ; also, put the Absciss  $AC = x$ , and Ordinate  $CB = y$ , (B being the Point to which the Tangent T B is required to be drawn.) Then, as is well known, by the Nature of the Curve,



$PR \times AC = CB^2$ ; that is,  $ax = y^2$ . Now, by putting both Sides of this Equation into *Fluxions*, we shall have  $a\dot{x} = 2y\dot{y}$ ; and therefore,  $\dot{x} = \frac{2y\dot{y}}{a}$ ; which substituted for  $\dot{x}$ , makes the general Expression for the Subtangent C T, viz.  $\frac{\dot{x}y}{\dot{y}}$  (See *Art.* 38.)  $= \frac{2y^2}{a} =$  (by substituting for  $y^2$ , its equal  $ax$  above,)  $\frac{2ax}{a} = 2x$ .

Whence it appears, that, the Subtangent C T is double the Absciss AC; and consequently, A T is = A C.

42. BUT, to draw Tangents to all sorts of Parabolas universally; let the Absciss =  $x$ , Ordinate =  $y$ , and the Parameter =  $1$ . Then, the Equation will be  $x = y^m$ , the  
*Fluxion*

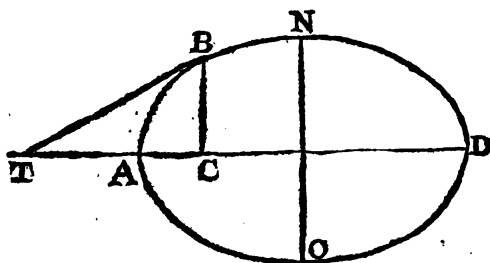
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*Fluxion* of which is,  $\dot{x} = my^{m-1}\dot{y}$ , which Value of  $\dot{x}$  being substituted for it, makes the Subtangent  $\frac{\dot{y}}{\dot{x}} = my^m =$  (by putting  $x$  for  $y^m$  its Value,)  $m x$ : So that, when  $m = 2$ , it will be  $= 2x$ ; as before. [See Appendix, Prob. 4.]

### EXAMPLE III.

43. To draw a Tangent to an Ellipsis.

P U T the transverse Diameter  $AD = t$ , Conjugate  $NO = c$ , Absciss  $AC = x$ , and Ordinate  $CB = y$ . Now, by the Nature of



the Curve,  $\overline{AD}^2 : \overline{NO}^2 :: AC \times CD : \overline{CB}^2$ ;

i. e.  $t^2 : c^2 :: x \times \overline{t-x} : \frac{c^2}{t^2} \overline{tx-x^2} = y^2$ ;

And, by putting each Side of this Equation into *Fluxions*, we shall have  $\frac{c^2}{t^2} \overline{t\dot{x} - 2x\dot{x}} =$

$2y\dot{y}$ ;

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$zyy$ ; and this divided by  $\frac{c^2}{t^2}t-2x$ , gives  $x=$

$$\frac{2t^2yy}{c^2t-2c^2x}, \text{ which substituted for } x \text{ in } \frac{xy}{y}$$

(the general Expression for the Subtangent; See *Article* 38.) makes the Subtangent C T

$$= \frac{2t^2y^2}{c^2t-2c^2x} = (\text{by writing } \frac{c^2}{t^2}tx-x^2 \text{ for } y^2 \text{ its equal,}) \frac{2c^2t^3x-2c^2t^2x^2}{c^2t^3-2c^2t^2x} = \frac{2tx-2x^2}{t-2x}.$$

Whence we may observe, that, A T (=

$$CT - CA = \frac{2tx-2x^2}{t-2x} - x) = \frac{tx}{t-2x}$$

= that Part of the Subtangent which falls *without* the Curve.

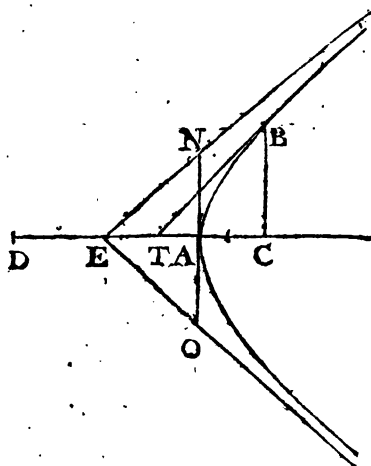
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44. *To draw a Tangent to an Hyperbola.*

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Put the Transverse Diameter  $DA = t$ ,  
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 Ordinate  $CB = y$ . Now, by the Nature of



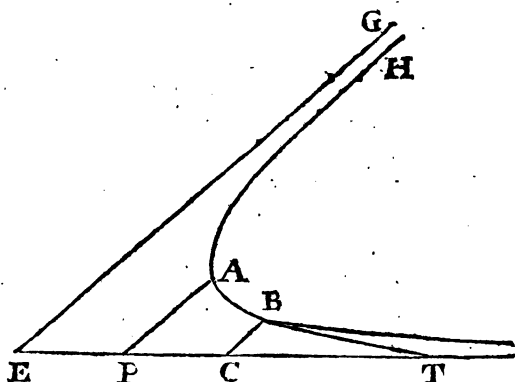
the Curve,  $\overline{DA}^2 : \overline{NO}^2 :: DC \times AC : \overline{CB}^2$ ,  
 i. e.  $t^2 : c^2 :: \overline{t+x} \times x : \frac{c^2}{t^2} \overline{tx+x^2} = y^2$ ; and,  
 by putting both Sides of this Equation of  
 the Curve into *Fluxions*, we shall have  $\frac{c^2}{t^2} \dot{x}$   
 $\overline{tx+2xx} = 2yy\dot{y}$ ; therefore, by Division,  $\dot{x} =$   
 $\frac{2t^2 y \dot{y}}{c^2 t + 2c^2 x}$ , which multiplied by  $\frac{y}{\dot{y}}$ , or,  
 which is the same, substituted for  $\dot{x}$  in  $\frac{\dot{x}y}{\dot{y}}$ ,  
 the general Expression for the Subtangent  
 (*Art.*

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*(Art. 38.)* makes the Subtangent  $CT = \frac{2t^2y^2}{c^2t+2c^2x}$  (which, by writing for  $y^2$ , its equal  $\frac{c^2}{t^2}tx+x^2$ , is)  $= \frac{2tx+2x^2}{t+2x}$ . So that,  $AT$ , that Part of the Subtangent *without* the Curve, is  $= \frac{2tx+2x^2}{t+2x} - x = \frac{tx}{t+2x}$ .

#### EXAMPLE V.

45. *To draw a Tangent to an Hyperbola between its Asymptotes; that is, taking one of its Asymptotes for an Axis.*

LET  $EG$  and  $ET$  be the Asymptotes of the Hyperbola  $HAB$ , whose Vertex is



**A :** draw  $AP$  and  $BC$  parallel to the Asymptote  $EG$  : then will  $AP$  be the Parameter, and



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and equal to P/E, which put  $= a$ ; E C an Absciss, which put  $= x$ ; and C B an Ordinate, which put  $= y$ . Now, because when  $x$  increases,  $y$  decreases; therefore  $\dot{x}$  and  $\dot{y}$  are negative to each other; and the general Expression for the Subtangent is  $-\frac{x\dot{y}}{\dot{x}}$ ; where

the negative Sign shews, that, the Point T lies on the other Side of the Ordinate C B with regard to E, (*Art.* 39.) By the Property of the Curve (See *Stone's De L'Hospital's Conic Sections*, *Art.* 101.)  $EC : EP ::$

$PA : CB$ , i. e.  $x : a :: a : y$ ;  $\therefore x = \frac{a^2}{y}$ ;

the Fluxion of which Equation, is  $\dot{x} = -\frac{a^2\dot{y}}{y^2}$ ; and this Value of  $\dot{x}$ , being substituted

for it in the above general Expression for the Subtangent, viz.  $-\frac{x\dot{y}}{\dot{x}}$ , makes the Sub-

tangent  $CT = \frac{a^2\dot{y}}{y^2\dot{y}} = \frac{a^2}{y}$  (by writing  $xy$  for

its equal  $a^2$ ),  $\frac{x\dot{y}}{\dot{x}} = x$ . So that, CT must be

$= CE$ .

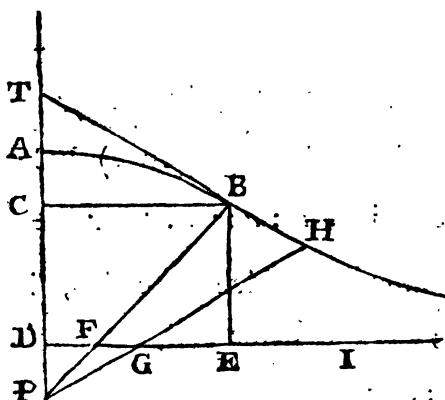
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46. To draw a Tangent to the Conchoid of Nicomedes. \*

LET fall the Perpendicular BE on the Asymptote DI; and draw BC equal and



parallel to ED. Put  $PD=a$ ,  $DA=b=FB$ ,  $DC=x=EB$ , and  $CB=y=DE$ . Then, by

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\* This Curve is thus generated: — From a fixed Point P, which is called the Pole of the Conchoid, let an infinite Number of right Lines PA, PB, PH, be drawn, cutting the right Line DI, which is an Asymptote to the Curve; and let the Distances DA, FB, GH, be made equal to each other, and a Line drawn through the Points A, B, H, &c. then will this Line be a Curve, called by its Inventor *Nicomedes*, a *Conchoid*.

by 47 E. I.  $\sqrt{b^2 - x^2} - \sqrt{b^2 - x^2} = EF$ , that is,  
 $\sqrt{b^2 - x^2} = EF$ . But, the  $\Delta$ s CPB and BEF  
 are similar; therefore,  $BE : EF :: PC : CB$ ,

i. e.  $x : \sqrt{b^2 - x^2} :: a + x : y = \frac{a + x}{x} \times$   
 $\sqrt{b^2 - x^2}$ ; which is the Equation of the Curve;  
 and this in *Fluxions* is  $y = \frac{x\dot{x} - \frac{a+x}{x} \times \sqrt{b^2 - x^2}}{x^2}$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} \times \sqrt{b^2 - x^2} - \frac{1}{2} \times 2x\dot{x} \times \frac{a+x}{x} = -\frac{a}{x^2} \times \sqrt{b^2 - x^2} -$$

$$\frac{x\dot{x}}{\sqrt{b^2 - x^2}} \times \frac{a+x}{x} = \frac{-ab^2\dot{x} - x^3\dot{x}}{x^2 \times \sqrt{b^2 - x^2}}; \text{ which sub-}$$

stituted for  $y$ , in  $-\frac{\dot{x}y}{y}$ , the general Expres-

sion for the Subtangent when  $\dot{x}$  and  $y$  are ne-

gative to each other (*Art.* 39.) makes the

Subtangent C T  $= \frac{y x^2 \times \sqrt{b^2 - x^2}}{ab^2 + x^3}$  (which, by

substituting for  $y$  its equal in the above E-

quation of the Curve, is)  $= \frac{a + x \times \sqrt{b^2 - x^2} \times x^4}{ab^2 x + x^4}$

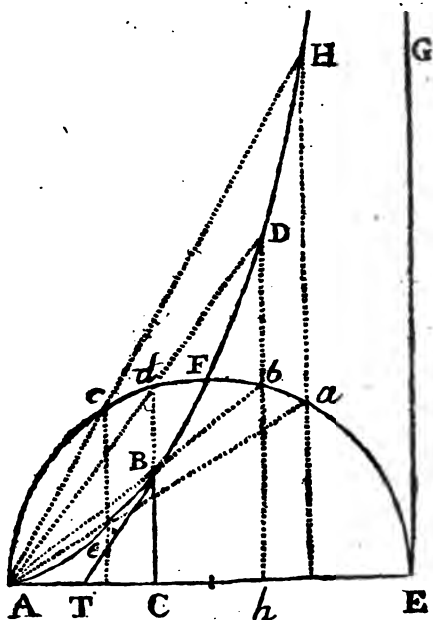
$= \frac{a + x \times \sqrt{b^2 - x^2}}{ab^2 + x^3}$ .

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EXAMPLE VII.

47. To draw a Tangent to the Ciffoid of Diocles. \*

LET ABH be the Ciffoid, whose gene-



rating Semicircle is AFE, and Asymptote EG.

\* This Curve is thus generated : — In the Semicircle AFE, make any Arches Ea, and Ac, Eb, and Ad, equal to one another; and through the Points a, b, d, c, let right Lines be drawn perpendicular to the Diameter AE, and transverse Lines from the Point A; then from A, through the Points of Intersection e, B, D, &c. draw a Line AxBD, &c. and it will be a Curve, called by its Inventor *Diocles*. a *Ciffoid*.

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E G. Put the Diameter A E =  $a$ , Absciss AC =  $x$ , and Ordinate C B =  $y$ . Now, by the Nature of the Curve,  $dC : CA :: AC : CB$ ; (For, since by the Generation of the Curve, the Arches E  $b$  and A  $d$  must be equal; therefore  $b b = d C$ , and  $b E = CA$ ; and, because the  $\Delta$ s  $b b A$  and  $BCA$  are alike, therefore  $A b : b b :: AC : CB$ ; but, by the Property of Circles,  $Ab : b b :: b b : b E$ ;  $\therefore b b : b E :: AC : CB$ , i. e.  $d C : CA :: AC : CB$ ;) or (because  $CE = a - x$ , and  $\overline{AC \times CE}^{\frac{1}{2}} = \overline{ax - x^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} = Cd$ ;) as  $\overline{ax - x^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} : x :: x : y$ ;  $\therefore x^2 = y \times \overline{ax - x^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ ; the Square of which Equation is  $x^4 = axy^2 - x^2y^2$ ; and this, divided by  $x$ , makes  $x^3 = ay^2 - xy^2$ ; which is the Equation of the Curve; and the *Fluxion* of this Equation is  $3x^2\dot{x} = 2ay\dot{y} - x\dot{y}^2 - 2xy\dot{y}$ ; therefore, by Transposition and Division,  $\dot{x} = \frac{2ay\dot{y} - 2xy\dot{y}}{3x^2 + y^2}$ ; and this substituted for  $\dot{x}$ , makes the Subtangent CT ( $= \frac{xy}{\dot{y}}$ , Article 38.) =  $\frac{2ay^2 - 2xy^2}{3x^2 + y^2}$  (by substituting for  $y^2$ , its equal  $\frac{x^3}{a - x}$ ;)  $\frac{2ax - 2x^2}{3a - 2x}$ . Whence we may observe, that AT, the Difference between the Absciss AC

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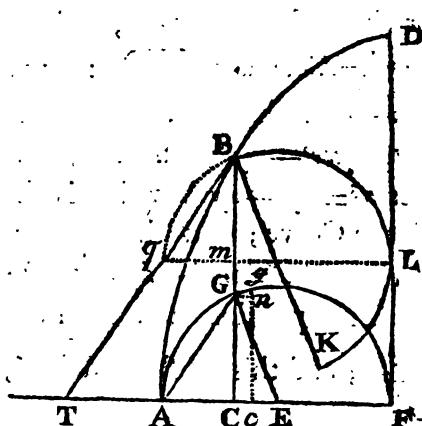
AC and Subtangent TC, is  $= \frac{ax}{3a-2x}$ ; the

Abfcifs AC being  $= \frac{3ax-2x^2}{3a-2x}$ .

EXAMPLE VIII.

48. To draw a Tangent to the Cycloid.

PUT EA the Radius of the generating Circle  $=a$ , Abfcifs AC  $=x$ , Ordinate CB  $=y$



CG  $=s$ , and the Arch AG  $=z$ . Now, by the

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\* This Curve is thus generated: — Let a Circle, or Wheel, roll along upon a right Line until it performs one Revolution, that is, until it measures out a right Line equal to its Circumference; then, that Point in the Circle which first touched the right Line, will describe the Curve called a *Cycloid*.

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the Nature of the Curve;  $CB = CG + \text{Arch } GA$ ; that is,  $y = s + z$ ; (For, when the Semicircle  $A G F$ , generating the Semicycloid  $ABD$ , is in the Position  $BLK$ , the Arch  $BL$  or  $GF$  must be equal to  $LD$ , and  $LK$  or  $Bq$  or  $GA = LF$  or  $mC$ ; but  $Cm = GB$ ; therefore Arch  $GA = GB$ ; and therefore, &c.) and the *Fluxion* of this Equation of the Curve is  $\dot{y} = \dot{s} + \dot{z}$ . Let  $cg$  be supposed indefinitely near and parallel to  $CG$ , and  $Gn$  equal and parallel to  $Cc$ ; that is, let  $Gg = z'$ , and  $gn = s'$ , and  $nG = Cc = x'$ ; then, supposing  $Gg$  to be a little right Line perpendicular to  $GE$ , the  $\angle s$ ,  $g G n$  and  $E G C$  will be equal; and therefore the right angled  $\Delta s$ ,  $gnG$  and  $GCE$  are alike; and consequently,  $gn : nG :: EC : CG$ ; that is,  $s' : x' :: a - x : s$ ;  $\therefore s' = \frac{a-x}{s} x'$ , or, (*Art. 6.*)  $\dot{s} = \frac{a-x}{s} \dot{x}$ ; And again,  $g G : G n :: E G : G C$ ; that is,  $z' : x' :: a : s$ ;  $\therefore z' = \frac{a}{s} x'$ , or,  $\dot{z} = \frac{a}{s} \dot{x}$ . Now, by substituting  $\frac{a-x}{s} \dot{x}$  for  $\dot{s}$ , and  $\frac{a}{s} \dot{x}$  for  $\dot{z}$ , in the above *Fluxion* of the Equation of the Curve, we have  $\dot{y} = \frac{a-x}{s} \dot{x} + \frac{a}{s} \dot{x} = \frac{2a-x}{s} \dot{x}$ ; and this substituted for  $\dot{y}$ , makes the Subtangent

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gent  $CT (= \frac{x y}{y}, \text{Art. 38.}) = \frac{sy}{2a-x}$ .

Whence we may observe, by Analogy,  $2a-x : s :: y : CT$ ; i. e.  $FC : CG :: BC : CT$ ; but, by the Property of Circles,  $FC : CG :: GC : CA$ ;  $\therefore GC : CA :: BC : CT$ : Consequently, the  $\Delta$ s,  $GCA$  and  $BCT$  are alike, and  $BT$  is parallel to the Chord  $GA$ .

### EXAMPLE IX.

49. To draw a Tangent to the Quadratrix of Dinostratus. \*

PUT  $EF$ , or  $ED$ , the Radius of the generating Quadrant  $= a$ ;  $EA$  the Base of the Quadratrix  $= b$ ; Quadrantal Arch  $FD = c$ ; Abscissa

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\* This Curve is thus generated:— Let  $EFD$  be a Quadrant of a Circle, whose Radius  $ED$  divide into any Number of equal Parts (as  $Ed, de, ef, fD$ ;) and from the Points of Division ( $d, e, f$ ;) draw right Lines ( $dk, em, fo$ ;) parallel to each other, and to the Radius  $EF$ : also, divide the Arch  $FD$  into the same Number of equal Parts ( $Fa, aG, Gc, cD$ ;) as you do the Radius  $ED$ : and to these Points of Division ( $a, G, c$ ;) draw Radii ( $Ea, EG, Ec$ ;) from the Point or Center  $E$ . Then, a Line drawn from  $D$  through the Points of Intersection ( $r, B, t$ , &c.) will be a Curve, called a *Quadratrix*; the Invention of which is imputed to *Dinostratus*.





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$$\dot{z} = \frac{a \dot{s} y}{sb - sx}. \text{ Hence we have } \frac{a \dot{s} y}{sb - sx} = \frac{c \dot{y}}{a};$$

$$\text{which gives } \dot{s} = \frac{sb c \dot{y} - s x c \dot{y}}{a^2 y}. \text{ Now, by 47}$$

$$\text{E. 1. } \overline{EC^2 + CB^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} = BE, \text{ i. e. } \overline{b-x^2 + y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} = BE; \text{ and, by Sim. } \Delta s, EB : BC :: EG :$$

$$GH, \text{ that is, } \overline{b-x^2 + y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} : y :: a : s =$$

$$\frac{ay}{\overline{b-x^2 + y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}}, \text{ or } s = \frac{ay}{\overline{b^2 - 2bx + x^2 + y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}}; \text{ in}$$

$$ay \times \overline{b-x^2 + y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} + \frac{bxay - x^2ay - yyay}{\overline{b-x^2 + y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}}$$

$$\text{Flux. } \dot{s} = \frac{\overline{b-x^2 + y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}}{\overline{b-x^2 + y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}} = \frac{ay \times \overline{b-x^2 + y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} + bxay - x^2ay - yyay}{\overline{b-x^2 + y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}} = (\text{because } \dot{s} \text{ by}$$

$$\text{the above is } =) \frac{sb c \dot{y} - s x c \dot{y}}{a^2 y}; \text{ and this Equa-}$$

$$\text{tion, by Multiplication and Transposition, produces } a^3 b y^2 \dot{x} - a^3 y^2 x \dot{x} = b c s \dot{y} - c s x \dot{y} \times$$

$$\overline{b-x^2 + y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} - a^3 y \dot{y} \times \overline{b-x^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}; \text{ and this divided}$$

$$\text{by } b-x, \text{ makes } a^3 y^2 \dot{x} = c s \dot{y} \times \overline{b-x^2 + y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} - a^3 y \dot{y} \times \overline{b-x}^{\frac{1}{2}} \text{ (or, by substituting for } s, \text{ its}$$

$$\text{above Value } \frac{ay}{\overline{b-x^2 + y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}},)$$

$$= a c y \dot{y} \times \overline{b-x^2 + y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} - a^3 y \dot{y} \times \overline{b-x}^{\frac{1}{2}}. \text{ But, by a Property}$$

$$\text{of the Curve, as } FD : DE :: EF : EA;$$

(For,

(For, when the Arch  $FG$  is indefinitely small, it will nearly coincide with, or be equal to its Sine  $GH$ , and one may be taken for the other; and then,  $EA$  may be taken for  $EC$ , and  $EF$  for  $EH$ ; and therefore, then, by the above Nature of the Curve, as Quadrantal Arch  $FD$  : Rad.  $DE$  :: indefinitely small Sine  $GH$  : indefinitely small Ordinate  $BC$ ; but, by Sim.  $\Delta$ s,  $GH$  :  $BC$  :: ( $HE$ , i. e.)  $EF$  : ( $CE$ , i. e.)  $EA$  : Consequently, Arch  $FD$  : Rad.  $DE$  ::  $EF$  :  $EA$  : i. e. as  $c$  :  $a$  ::  $a$  :  $b$ ;  $\therefore bc = a^2$ ; and by substituting  $bc$  for  $a^2$ , we have  $abcy^2\dot{x} = acy\dot{y} \times \overline{b-x}^2 + y^2 - abc\dot{y}\dot{y} \times \overline{b-x}$ ; and this Equation divided by  $acy$ , makes  $b\dot{y}\dot{x} = \dot{y} \times \overline{b-x}^2 + y^2 - b\dot{y} \times \overline{b-x}$ ;  $\therefore \dot{x} = \dot{y} \times \frac{\overline{b-x}^2 + y^2 - b\dot{y}\overline{b-x}}{b\dot{y}}$ ; which substituted for  $\dot{x}$ ,

makes the Subtangent  $CT$  ( $= \frac{\dot{x}y}{\dot{y}}$ , Article

$$38.) = \frac{\overline{b-x}^2 + y^2}{b} - \overline{b-x} = \frac{\overline{EB}^2}{EA} - EC;$$

which gives the following geometrical Construction, viz. If  $B$  be the Point to which the Tangent is to be drawn; make  $EI = EB$ , and  $EL = EA$ ; and let the Semicircle  $LIT$  be drawn through the Points  $L$  and  $I$ ; then  $T$

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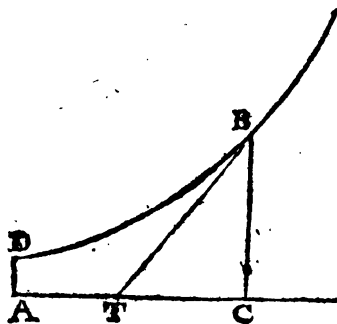
is the Point through which the Tangent must pass: For, by the Property of Circles,  $LE \times ET = \overline{EL}^2 =$  (by Construction)  $\overline{EB}^2$ ; i. e.

$$EA \times \overline{EC} + \overline{CT} = \overline{EB}^2; \therefore \frac{\overline{EB}^2}{EA} - \overline{EC} = \overline{CT}.$$

EXAMPLE X.

50. To draw a Tangent to the exponential Curve DB, whose Equation (putting  $AC = x$ ,  $CB = y$ , and  $a = a$  given Quantity more than 1,) is  $a^x = y$ .

PUT  $A =$  the hyperbolic Logarithm of  $a$ , and  $Y =$  the hyperbolic Logarithm of  $y$ ; then, by the Nature of Logarithms,  $x A = Y$ ; in Fluxions,  $\dot{x} A = \dot{Y} =$  (See Article 17.)



$\frac{\dot{y}}{y}$ ; which divided by  $A$ , makes  $\dot{x} = \frac{\dot{y}}{Ay}$ ; and this substituted for  $\dot{x}$ , makes the Subtangent  $CT$

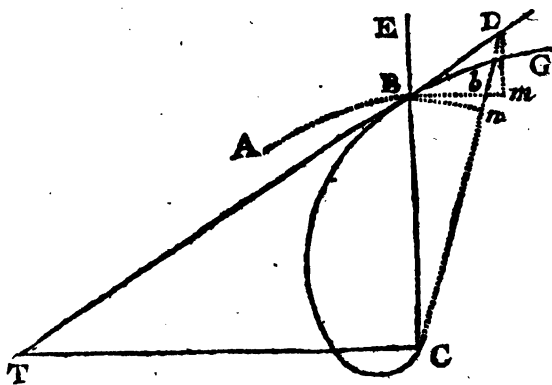
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$CT (= \frac{xy}{y}, \text{ Art. 38.}) = \frac{y}{Ay} = \frac{1}{A}$ . Whence

we may observe, that, the Subtangent being an invariable Quantity, the Curve QB is the logarithmic Curve. (See Art. 77 and 78.)

51. HITHERTO we have treated only of Curves referred to an Axis; or, of those whose Ordinates are parallel to one another: We therefore now proceed to the drawing of Tangents to *Spirals*; or to those Curves, all of whose Ordinates issue from one and the same fixt Point. Where *Note*, the Ordinate and Subtangent are always perpendicular to each other.

52. SUPPOSE  $Cb$  indefinitely near to  $CB$ ; that is, let the  $\angle BCb$  be supposed indefinitely



small; and with the Ordinate  $CB$ , as a Radius,

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dius, let the indefinitely small Arch  $Bn$  be described; which being considered as a little right Line perpendicular to  $Cb$ , and the indefinitely small Part of the Curve  $Bb$  as coinciding with a Tangent to it at the Point  $B$ ; then, because the  $\angle BCB$  is indefinitely small, the  $\Delta s$   $bnB$  and  $BCT$  will be indefinitely near to similarity; that is, in the very first Moment of the Existence of the  $\Delta bnB$ , it will be similar to the  $\Delta BCT$ : Therefore, if we put the Ordinate  $CB=y$ ,  $Bn=x'$ , and  $nb=y'$ ; we shall have  $y' : x' :: y : CT$ ; that is (*Art.* 6.)  $y : x :: y : CT$ ;  $\therefore CT = \frac{xy}{y}$ ; which is

the same general Expression for the Subtangent as that before found for Curves referred to an Axis, (*Art.* 38.)

53. BUT, this same general Expression, may be obtained without the help of *Increments*, or the supposition of indefinitely small Quantities, thus,——Let the indefinite right Line  $CE$  turn, like the Radius of a Circle, round the fixt Point or Center  $C$  with an uniform Motion; and, at the same Time, let a Point moving along thereon, generate, or move with such Degrees of Velocity as always to be in the Curve  $CBG$ , to which suppose  $TBD$  a Tangent at the Point  $B$ ; also,

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So, let  $Bm$  be a Tangent to the circular Arch  $ABn$  described with the Ordinate  $CB$  as a Radius. Now, when the Point generating the Curve  $CBG$  arrives at  $B$ , if it was to continue on in the same Direction, with an uniform Motion, and the same Degree of Velocity that it arrives thereat, it would move along the Tangent  $TB$  produced, or right Line  $BD$ , which would always be as the *Fluxion* of the Spiral at the Point  $B$ : So likewise, if we suppose a Point to move from  $B$ , in the same Direction, and with the same uniform Motion, that the Point generating the circular Arch  $ABn$  arrives at  $B$ , it would move along the Tangent or right Line  $Bm$  perpendicular to the Ordinate or Radius  $CB$ , which would always be as the *Fluxion* of the said Arch at  $B$ : And since the Direction of the Point moving from  $C$  to  $E$ , is always perpendicular to that of the Point generating the circular Arch  $ABn$ ; therefore, when the Point moving from  $B$  to  $D$  arrives at  $D$ , if  $Dm$  be parallel to  $EC$ , the Point moving along  $Bm$  will be arrived at  $m$ ; and  $mD$  will be as the *Fluxion* of the Ordinate at the Point  $B$ . Hence, because the  $\Delta s DmB$  and  $BCT$  are similar,  $Dm : mB :: BC : CT$ ; that is, the *Fluxion* of the Ordinate

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 nate  $CB$ : is to the *Fluxion* of the Arch  $AB$  ::  
 as the Ordinate  $BC$ : is to the Subtangent  
 $CT$ ; or (putting Arch  $AB=x$ , and Ordi-  
 nate  $CB=y$ ;)  $y : x :: y : \frac{xy}{y} = CT$ ; as be-  
 fore.

#### EXAMPLE I.

54. To draw a Tangent to the Spiral of  
 Archimedes. \*

PUT the Circumference of the generating  
 Circle  $= a$ , and its Radius  $CA = b$ ; Ordinate  
 $CB = y$ , Arch  $AIG = z$ ; and with the  
 Ordinate  $CB$ , as a Radius, let the circular  
 Arch  $B\theta$  be described, which put  $= x$ . Now,  
 by the Nature of the Curve,  $a : b :: z : y$ ,  
 or

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\* This Curve is thus generated: — With the Radius  
 $CA$ , let the Circle  $AGA$  be described with an equa-  
 ble Motion, or the Point describe equal Arches in  
 equal Terms; and at the same Moment of Time that  
 the Point  $A$  begins to generate the Circle, let another  
 Point begin to move along the said Radius from  $C$  to-  
 wards  $A$ , and to pass over it with an uniform Motion,  
 and such Velocity, that it may arrive at  $A$  at the very  
 same Moment of Time that the said Radius shall have  
 described the Circle, or come to be in its first Situation.  
 Then will the Point moving along the Radius  $CA$ , gene-  
 rate, or describe, the Curve  $CBbA$ , called a *Spiral*, the  
 invention of which is attributed to *Archimedes*.





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gives the following Constuction, *viz.* With the Ordinate C B, as a Radius, describe the circular Arch B D; and make C T perpendicular to C G, and equal to the Arch B D: then will T be the Point through which the Tangent B T produced must pass. For, then, the Sectors C G A and C B D will be similar; and consequently,  $CG : GA :: CB : BD$ ; i. e.  $b : z :: y : BD = \frac{yz}{b} = CT$ .

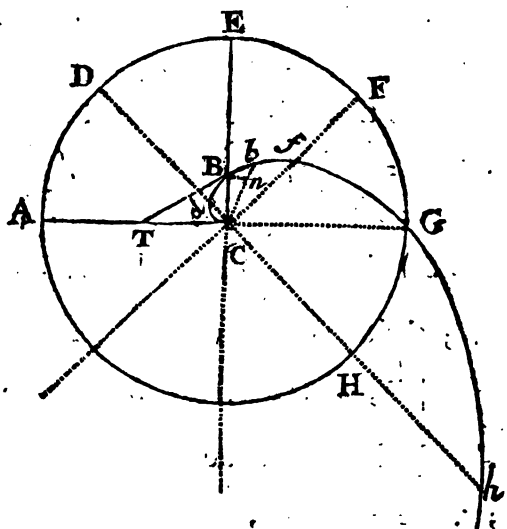
### EXAMPLE II.

55. *To draw a Tangent to the Logarithmic Spiral.* \*

Put the Curve  $Cd'B = z$ , and its corresponding Ordinate  $BC = y$ . Now, if we suppose the Points B, *f*, G, *b*, &c. indefinitely near to each other, the little Parts of the

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\* This Curve is thus generated:—In the Circle AFH, let the Arches AD, DE, EF, FG, GH, &c. be made equal to each other; and the right Lines Cd, CB, Cf, CG, Ch, &c. in geometrical Proportion, continued: then, a Line drawn from the Center C through the Points *d*, B, *f*, G, *b*, &c. will be the Curve called a *Logarithmic Spiral*; which Name is given to it, because the Arches AD, AE, AF, &c. will be the Logarithms of the corresponding Ordinates Cd, CB, Cf, &c.



the Curve  $Bf$ ,  $fG$ , &c. may be considered as indefinitely small right Lines; and therefore (because by the Generation of the Curve,  $CB : Cf :: Cf : CG$ , and the Angles  $BCf$  and  $fCG$  are equal,) the little  $\Delta$ s  $CBf$  and  $CfG$  will be similar: Consequently, the Angle made by the Curve and Ordinate is always the same; and the Ordinate and Curve are in a given or fixt Proportion, which suppose to be as  $a$  to  $b$ ; that is,  $y : z :: a : b$ ; therefore (Art. 8.)  $y : z :: a : b$ ;  $\therefore z = \frac{by}{a}$ . Let  $Cb$

be supposed indefinitely near to  $CB$ ; and the little Arch  $Bn$  (described with the Radius  $CB$ )

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CB) as a little right Line perpendicular to  $Cb$ , then,  $Bb$  being considered as coinciding with a Tangent to the Point B, we shall have, by

47 E. 1.  $Bb = \sqrt{Bn^2 + nb^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ ; that is, (putting  $Bb = z'$ ,  $Bn = x'$ , and  $nb = y'$ ),  $z' = \sqrt{x'^2 + y'^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ ; or

(Art. 6.)  $z = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ . Hence,  $\frac{by}{a} =$

$\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ ; the Square of which Equation, is  $\frac{b^2 y^2}{a^2} = x^2 + y^2$ ; and this, by Multiplication

and Transposition, produces  $b^2 y^2 - a^2 y^2 =$

$a^2 x^2$ ;  $\therefore y^2 = \frac{a^2 x^2}{b^2 - a^2}$ , and  $y = \frac{ax}{\sqrt{b^2 - a^2}}$ ;

which being substituted for  $y$  in the general

Expression for the Subtangent, viz.  $\frac{xy}{y}$

(Article 52.) makes the sought Subtangent

$CT = \frac{xy \sqrt{b^2 - a^2}}{ax} = y \times \frac{\sqrt{b^2 - a^2}}{a}$ . And

hence we may observe, that, (because by 47

E. 1.  $TB^2 = EC^2 + CT^2$ , i. e.  $TB^2 = y^2 +$

$y^2 \times \frac{b^2 - a^2}{a^2} = \frac{b^2 y^2}{a^2}$ ), the Tangent TB is =

$\frac{by}{a} = y \times \frac{b}{a}$ ; and consequently, the Tangent

and Subtangent are to each other as  $b$  to  $\sqrt{b^2 - a^2}$ .

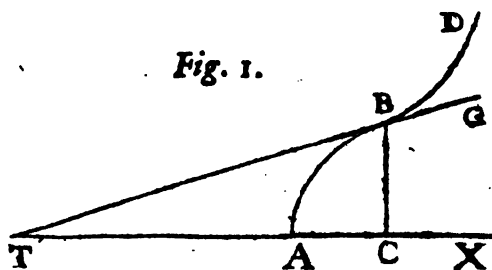
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*Of finding the Points of Inflection, or of contrary Flexure, in Curves.*

56. **W**HEN a Curve from being Concave, becomes Convex towards its Axis; or, from being Convex, becomes Concave; then, that Point in it, where the Change is made, or that which separates the Convex from the Concave Part, is called the Point of *Inflection*, or of *contrary Flexure*. So that, if at the Point of *Inflection*, a Tangent be drawn, it will there cut the Curve.

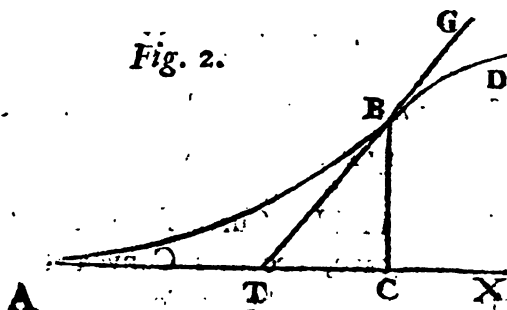
Thus, in *Fig. 1.* if AB be Concave, and BD Convex; or, in *Fig. 2.* if AB be Con-



vex, and DB Concave towards the Axis AX; then B is the Point of *Inflection*; where, the Tangent TBG cuts the Curve.

57. Now,

Fig. 2.



57. Now, it is evident, that, in any Curve, in Order to determine whether the Absciss or Ordinate flows with an accelerated, uniform, or retarded Motion, and the Quantity of it, or the Value of its *Second Fluxion*, it is necessary that one of them be made to increase with a given uniform Motion, with which the Velocity, or swiftness of Increase, of the other may be always compared. And therefore, if we suppose the *Absciss* (as being the most Natural) always to increase with one and the same given Degree of Velocity, or equal Parts of it to be described in equal Times; then, because the Direction of the Curve from A to B (*Fig. 1.*) or from B to D (*Fig. 2.*) continually approaches nearer to a Parallelism with the Axis; it is evident, the Ordinate between these Points, must flow with a Motion continually retarded: And,  
because

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Because the Direction of the Curve from B to D (*Fig. 1.*) or from A to B (*Fig. 2.*) approaches continually nearer to a Perpendicular to the Axis, therefore, Between these Points, the Ordinate must flow, or increase, with a Motion continually accelerated: Consequently, at the Point of *Inflection* B, the Ordinate will flow with a Motion neither accelerated nor retarded, and therefore, with an uniform Motion: that is, at the Point of *Inflection* B, the *Second Fluxions* of the Absciss and Ordinate will each of them be  $= 0$ . — Which is also plain, since the *Fluxion* of the Ordinate, at the Point B, must be a *Maximum* or a *Minimum*; in either Case its *Second Fluxion* is  $= 0$ .

58. Now, to find the *Second Fluxion* of an Equation, every *First Fluxion* in it, not supposed *invariable*, must be considered as a distinct *variable Quantity*; and then the Equation put into *Fluxions* by the Rules laid down in *Chap. II.*

Thus, the *First Fluxion* of the Equation  $ax=y^2$ , being  $\dot{ax}=2y\dot{y}$ ; the *Second Fluxion* of it, viz. the *Fluxion* of  $\dot{ax}=2y\dot{y}$ , will be  $\ddot{ax}=2\dot{y}\dot{y}+2y\ddot{y}$ ; that is,  $\ddot{ax}=2\dot{y}^2+2y\ddot{y}$ . So likewise, the *Fluxion* of  $\dot{ax}-x\dot{x}=\dot{y}y$ , is  $\ddot{ax}-\dot{x}^2-x\ddot{x}=\dot{y}^2+y\ddot{y}$ . — But, since either  $\dot{x}$  or

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or  $\dot{y}$  may be supposed *invariable*, (i. e. either  $x$  or  $y$  to increase with an uniform Motion;) therefore, by making  $\dot{x}$  invariable, or  $\ddot{x} = 0$ , the first of above *Second Fluxional Equations*, viz.  $a \ddot{x} = 2\dot{y}^2 + 2y\ddot{y}$ , will become  $0 = 2\dot{y}^2 + 2y\ddot{y}$ ; or, if we make  $\dot{y}$  invariable, it will be  $a \ddot{x} = 2\dot{y}^2$ . And, if we make  $\dot{x}$  invariable, the last of the said Equations, viz.  $a \ddot{x} - \dot{x}^2 - x \ddot{x} = \dot{y}^2 + y\ddot{y}$ , will be  $-\dot{x}^2 = \dot{y}^2 + y\ddot{y}$ ; or, if  $\dot{y}$  be supposed invariable, it will become  $a \ddot{x} - \dot{x}^2 - x \ddot{x} = \dot{y}^2$ . — Also, the *Fluxion* of  $z = x + \frac{y\dot{y}}{\dot{x}}$ , (supposing  $\dot{x}$  invariable,) is  $\dot{z} = \dot{x} + \frac{\dot{y}^2 + y\ddot{y}}{\dot{x}}$ . Or, (supposing  $\dot{y}$  invariable,)  $\dot{z} = \dot{x} + \frac{\dot{y}^2 \dot{x} - x \ddot{y} \dot{y}}{\dot{x}^2}$ .

The *Third* and *Fourth Fluxions*, &c. are found in the same Manner; due regard being had to such *Fluxions* as are supposed *invariable*.

59. HENCE, to find the Point of *Inflexion* B: Put the Equation of the Curve (where the Absciss A C is  $= x$ , or  $a + x$ , and the Ordinate C B  $= y$ .) into *Fluxions*; from which, find the Value of  $\dot{x}$  or  $\dot{y}$ ; and put this  $\dot{x}$  or  $\dot{y}$ , and its Value, into *Fluxions* again, making both  $\ddot{x}$  and  $\ddot{y} = 0$ : then, by expunging



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ing the rest of the *fluxional* Quantities, you may have  $x$  or  $y$ , at the Point of *Inflection* sought, determined.

60. BUT, the Point of *Inflection* may be found without the help of *Second Fluxions*: For, if T B be a Tangent to it, it is evident, that A T, the Difference between the Subtangent and Absciss, will be a *Maximum*: And therefore, to find the Point of *Inflection*, we need only find a definitive Expression for the Subtangent, by the preceding Chapter; and the Difference between it and the Absciss: and then make the *Fluxion* of this Difference  $= 0$ .—This we shall illustrate in the following Example.

### EXAMPLE I.

61. *To find the Point of Inflection in the Conchoid of Nicomedes; or, the Point where it begins to be Convex towards the Axis A D.\**

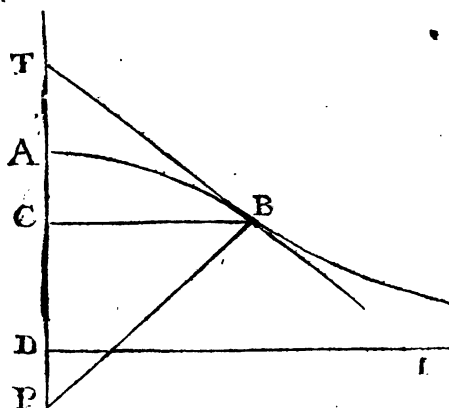
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\* At A, the Curve is Concave towards D I; but it cannot possibly continue so long: for, if it did, the farther it proceeded, the more it would incline, or tend, towards the said Line, and so intersect it; whereas, in fact, the said Line D I is an Asymptote to the said Curve, as appears from its Generation, *Art. 46. Note.*

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PUT  $PD = a$ ,  $DA = b$ ,  $DC = x$ , and  $CB = y$ ; then, by *Article 46.* the *Fluxion* of the Equation of the Curve will be  $y = \frac{-ab^2\dot{x} - x^3\dot{x}}{x^2 \times b^2 - x^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ : Suppose B to be the Point



of Inflection; then, the *Fluxion* of this again, (because,  $x$  being supposed to flow with an equable Motion, the *Second Fluxions* of  $x$  and  $y$  are each of them  $= 0$ .) will be  $0 =$

$$\frac{-3x^4\dot{x}^2 \times b^2 - x^2}{{b^2 - x^2}^{\frac{3}{2}}} - \frac{2x\dot{x} \times b^2 - x^2}{{b^2 - x^2}^{\frac{3}{2}}} - \frac{x^3\dot{x}}{{b^2 - x^2}^{\frac{3}{2}}} \times \frac{-ab^2\dot{x} - x^3\dot{x}}{x^2 \times b^2 - x^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

(See *Articles 13. and 58.*) that is,  $0 =$

$$\frac{2ab^4x - 3ab^2x^3 - b^2x^4}{x^4 \times b^2 - x^2}^{\frac{3}{2}} \dot{x}^2; \text{ which multiplied by } x^4 \times b^2 - x^2^{\frac{3}{2}} \text{ and divided by } b^2x\dot{x}^2, \text{ gives}$$

$$0 = 2ab^2 - 3ax^2 - x^3, \text{ or, } x^3 + 3ax^2 - 2ab^2$$

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$2ab^2 = 0$ ; by which,  $x$ , and consequently the Point B, may be determined: And, if  $a=b$ , it will be  $x^3 + 3ax^2 - 2a^3 = 0$ ; which divided by  $x+a$ , makes  $x^2 + 2ax - 2a^2 = 0$ , or,  $x^2 + 2ax = 2a^2$ ; and, by solving the Quadratic,  $x = \sqrt{3a^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} - a$ .

Or thus. BECAUSE the Subtangent CT (Art. 46.) is  $= \frac{a+x \times b^2 x - x^3}{ab^2 + x^3}$ , and AC is  $= b - x$ ; therefore AT ( $= CT - CA$ )  $= \frac{a+x \times b^2 x - x^3}{ab^2 + x^3} - b + x =$  a Maximum (Art. 60.) the Fluxion of which is

$$\frac{ab^2 \dot{x} - 3a^2 \dot{x} + 2b^2 x \dot{x} - 4x^2 \dot{x} \times ab^2 + x_3 - 3x^2 \dot{x} \times ab^2 x - ax^3 + b^2 x^2 - x^4}{(ab^2 + x^3)^2 \text{ or } a^2 b^4 + 2ab^2 x^3 + x^6}$$

$+ \dot{x} = 0$ : then multiply by  $a^2 b^4 + 2ab^2 x^3 + x^6$ , and strike out the contradictory Terms, and it will be  $2a^2 b^4 \dot{x} - 4ab^2 x^3 \dot{x} - 3a^2 b^2 x^2 \dot{x} + 2ab^4 x \dot{x} - b^2 x^4 \dot{x} = 0$ ; which divided by  $-ab^2 \dot{x} - b^2 x \dot{x}$ , gives  $x^3 + 3ax^2 - 2ab^2 = 0$ ; as before.

## EXAMPLE II.

62. To find the Point of Inflection in the interior or inflected Cycloid, the Circumference of whose generating Circle is to its Base as 4 to 5.\*

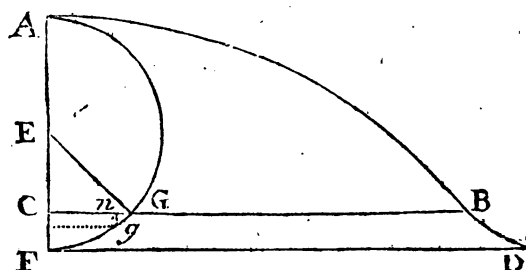
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\* See how this Curve may be generated, Appendix, Prob. 6.

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Put the generating Semicircle  $AGF=a$ ,  
Base  $FD=b$ , Radius  $EA$  or  $EF=r$ , Absciss  
 $AC=x$ , Ordinate  $CB=y$ , Arch  $AG=z$ ,



and Sine  $GC=s$ ; and suppose  $B$  to be the  
Point of Inflection sought. Now, by the  
Nature of the Curve,  $a:b::z:(GB)y-s$ ;  
and therefore (*Art. 8.*)  $a:b::z:y-s$ ;  
 $\therefore ay-as=bz$ , and  $y=s+\frac{bz}{a}$ . Let the in-

cremental Triangle  $Ggn$ , and the Radius  $EG$   
be drawn; then will the Triangles  $ECG$   
and  $Gng$  be alike: (for,  $Gg$  being considered  
as an indefinitely small right Line coinciding  
with a Tangent to the Point  $G$ , the  $\angle EGg$   
will be a right Angle, and therefore  $=$   
 $\angle CEG + \angle EGC$ ; and, the  $\angle EGC$  being  
common, therefore  $\angle CEG = \angle nGg$ ; and  
consequently, the  $\angle$ s  $GCE$  and  $Gng$  being  
right, the  $\angle EGC =$  the  $\angle Ggn$ ;) therefore,

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as  $nG : ng :: EC : CG$ , or (*Art.* 6. and 19.)

$\dot{x}$  and  $\dot{s}$  being Negative to each other, as  $-\dot{s} :$

$\dot{x} :: x - r : s$ ;  $\therefore \dot{s} = \frac{r - x \times \dot{x}}{s}$ ; but, by the

Property of the Circle,  $GC = \sqrt{AC \times CF}$ , i. e.

$s = \sqrt{2rx - x^2}$ , which substituted for  $s$ , makes

$\dot{s} = \frac{r - x \times \dot{x}}{\sqrt{2rx - x^2}}$ . By 47 E. I.  $Gg = \sqrt{gn^2 + nG^2}$ ,

i. e.  $\dot{z} = \sqrt{\dot{x}^2 + \dot{s}^2}$  = (by substituting for  $\dot{s}$ ,

its above Value,)  $\frac{r\dot{x}}{\sqrt{2rx - x^2}}$ . Hence, by

writing for  $\dot{s}$  and  $\dot{z}$  these their Values, we

have the above  $\dot{y}$  ( $= \dot{s} + \frac{b\dot{z}}{a}$ )  $= \frac{r - x \times \dot{x}}{\sqrt{2rx - x^2}} +$

$\frac{br\dot{x}}{a\sqrt{2rx - x^2}} = \frac{ar + br - ax}{a\sqrt{2rx - x^2}} \dot{x}$ ; and this put

into *Fluxions*, (supposing  $x$  to flow with an uniform Motion, when by *Art.* 57.  $\dot{x}$  and  $\dot{y}$ , at the Point of Inflection, will be  $= 0$ .)

is  $0 = \frac{brx - ar^2 - br^2}{a\sqrt{2rx - x^2}} \dot{x}$ ; consequently  $brx -$   
 $ar^2 - br^2 = 0$ , and  $brx = ar^2 + br^2$ ; therefore

$x = \frac{a + b}{b} r$ , and  $EC (= x - r) = \frac{a}{b} r$ ; which

gives the Point C in the Radius EF; from which if a perpendicular Ordinate be drawn,  
it

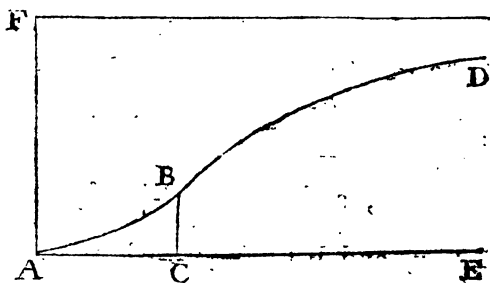
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it will fall on the Point of Inflection sought. And this is an universal Theorem for all inflected Cycloids, when  $\frac{a}{b}$  expresses the Ratio of the Circumference of the generating Circle to the Base of the Cycloid ; which, in the present Case, being  $\frac{4}{5}$ , therefore  $EC = \frac{4}{5}EF$ .  
[See Appendix, Prob. II. Corol. 3.]

EXAMPLE III.

63. To find the Point of Inflection B, in the Curve ABD, whose Equation (putting the Absciss  $AC=x$ , Ordinate  $CB=y$ , and the Perpendicular  $AF=a$ ,) is  $ax^2=a^2y+x^2y$ .

THE Equation of the Curve put into Fluxions, is  $2ax\dot{x}=a^2\dot{y}+2x\dot{x}y+x^2\dot{y}$ ; there-



fore  $y = \frac{2ax\dot{x}-2x\dot{x}y}{a^2+x^2}$ , i. e. (by substituting  
 $ax^2$

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$\frac{ax^3}{a^2+x^2}$  for its Value  $y$ ,  $y = \frac{2a^3xx}{a^2+x^2}$ ;

and the *Fluxion* of this again, making  $\dot{x}$  and  $\dot{y}=0$ , is  $0 =$

$$\frac{2a^3\dot{x}^2 \times a^2 + x^2 - 4a^2xx + 4x^3x \times 2a^3xx}{a^2+x^2^2}$$

therefore  $2a^3\dot{x}^2 \times a^2 + x^2 - 4a^2xx + 4x^3x \times 2a^3xx = 0$ ; and by dividing this by  $2a^3\dot{x}^2$ , we shall have  $\frac{a^2+x^2}{a^2+x^2^2} - 4a^2x\dot{x} - 4x^4 = 0$ ; therefore  $4x^4 + 4a^2x^2 = \frac{a^2+x^2}{a^2+x^2^2}$ ; and this Equation divided by  $x^2 + a^2$ , makes  $4x^2 = \frac{a^2+x^2}{a^2+x^2}$ ; by Transposition,  $3x^2 = a^2$ ;  $\therefore x^2 = \frac{1}{3}a^2$ , and  $x = a\sqrt{\frac{1}{3}}$ ; and if this be substituted for  $x$  in the Equation of the Curve, we shall have  $y$ , or, the Ordinate at the Point of Inflection  $= \frac{1}{3}a$ .

If it were required to find the Asymptote of this Curve; we need only suppose the Absciss and Curve to be indefinitely extended: for then, because  $x^2$  will be indefinitely near to Equality with  $a^2 + x^2$ , we shall have  $y$  (which by Equation of the Curve is  $= ax \frac{x^2}{a^2+x^2}$ ), indefinitely near to Equality

with the given right Line  $a$ ; that is,  $y$  will then be  $= a$ , Minus a Quantity indefinitely small. Wherefore, if from the Point F, a right

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right Line be drawn parallel to the Axis AE, it will be the Asymptote required.

64. *Note.* IN order to know whether an inflected Curve, at any Point assigned, be *Concave* or *Convex* towards its Axis; find the Value of  $\ddot{y}$  at that Point: Then, (*Art.* 57.) if this Value of  $\ddot{y}$  comes out *Positive*, the Curve will be *Convex* towards the Axis; and, if it comes out *Negative*, the Curve will be *Concave*.

Thus, in the last Example, if it were required to find whether the Curve be at first *Concave* or *Convex* towards the Axis: Supposing  $a=10$ ; make  $x=1$ , or  $x$ =any Number less than  $a\sqrt{\frac{1}{3}}$  or  $10\sqrt{\frac{1}{3}}$ ; then, because  $\ddot{y}$  is always as  $\overline{a^2+x^2}^2-4a^2x^2-4x^4$ , this Value of  $\ddot{y}$  will come out *Affirmative*; and therefore the Curve at first is *Convex* towards the Axis: And when  $x$  is  $=6$ , or any Number greater than  $a\sqrt{\frac{1}{3}}$  or  $10\sqrt{\frac{1}{3}}$ , this Expression will come out *Negative*; and therefore, then, the Curve will be *Concave* towards the Axis.



## C H A P. VI.

*Of finding the Radius of Curvature.*

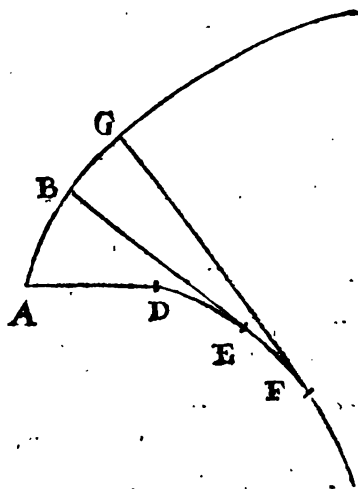
65. **A**S the Curvature, or Convexity, of all Curves but Circles, varies in every Point; therefore, if Circles are drawn to coincide with a given Curve in any Number of Points; the Radii of these Circles will be different: And the finding of these Radii, is the Business of this Chapter.

66. **AND**, because all Curves but Circles, are formed or generated, or may be conceived to be formed or generated, by the Evolution or winding off of some other Curves; therefore, the Centers of the Circles which coincide (or have equal Degrees of Curvature) with the different Points, or rather Increments, of the Curves thus formed or generated, will always be in the Curves to be unwound, which Curves are called the *Evolutes*; and the others formed or generated, or conceived to be formed or generated by their Evolution, are called the *Involutes*.

67. **THUS**, let DEF be any Curve, called an *Evolute*; round which, conceive a Thread to be wound and extended beyond the Curve, from D in a right Line to A; and  
 O let

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let this Thread be evolved, or wound off, from the Curve DF, so that it be continually stretched at its full Length as it leaves the Curve: Then will the Point A generate, or



describe, the *Involute* Curve ABG; and the right Lines AD, BE, GF, will be the *Radii of Curvature* at the Points A, B, G, respectively.

COROLLARIES.

1. THE Radius of (Evolution or) Curvature BE, will always be equal to the Length of the Curve ED and right Line DA: And, consequently, if the vertical Distance, or  
shortest



*Point B of the Involute Curve ABG, whose Axis is AX, and Evolute DE.*

68. PUT the Absciss  $AC = x$ , and Ordinate  $CB = y$ : Suppose  $bE$  indefinitely near to  $BE$ ,  $bc$  indefinitely near and parallel to  $BC$ , and  $Bnm$  parallel to  $AX$ ; i. e. let  $Cc$  or  $Bn = x'$ , and  $nb = y'$ : Then,  $Bb$  being considered as a little right Line coinciding with a Tangent at the Point  $B$ , the Triangles  $Bnb$  and  $BCH$  will be similar; (for,  $\angle Ebb = \angle Cbn$ , and therefore, the  $\angle Ebn$  being common, the  $\angle s$   $nbb$  and  $CBH$  are equal;  $\therefore \angle Bbn = \angle CHB$ ; ergo, &c.) and, the  $\angle Bbm$  being right, the Triangles  $mnb$  and  $bnB$  will be similar also; Wherefore,  $Bn : nb :: BC : CH$ ; that is,  $x' : y' :: y : \frac{yy'}{x'} = CH$ ; and therefore (by

47 E. 1.)  $BH = \sqrt{BC^2 + CH^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} = \sqrt{y^2 + \frac{y^2 y'^2}{x'^2}}^{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{y}{x'} \times \sqrt{x'^2 + y'^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ ; and  $AH = x + \frac{yy'}{x'}$ . Again,  $Bn : nb :: bn : nm$ ; i.e.  $x' : y' :: y' : \frac{y'^2}{x'} = nm$ ;  $\therefore Bm = x' + \frac{y'^2}{x'}$ . Now, because the Direction of the Curve  $ABG$  approaches continually

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continually nearer to a Parallelism with the Axis AX; therefore, if we suppose the Absciss ( $AC=x$ ) to flow with an equable or uniform Motion, i. e. supposing  $x'$  or  $\dot{x}$  to be invariable, or always of the same Value; then, the *Increment* of the Ordinate ( $CB=y$ ) or the *Velocity* or *Fluxion* with which it flows, must continually decrease; that is, the *Second Increment* or *Second Fluxion* of  $y$  will be Negative: Therefore, then, Hb, the *Increment* of AH, viz. the *Increment* of  $x + \frac{yy'}{x'}$ , will

be  $=x' + \frac{y'^2 - yy''}{x'}$ . Now, the Triangles

E B m and E H b are similar, as is evident; therefore  $Bm - Hb : Bm :: (BE - HE =)$

BH : BE; i. e.  $\frac{yy''}{x'} : x' + \frac{y'^2}{x'} :: \frac{y}{x'} \sqrt{x'^2 + y'^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} :$

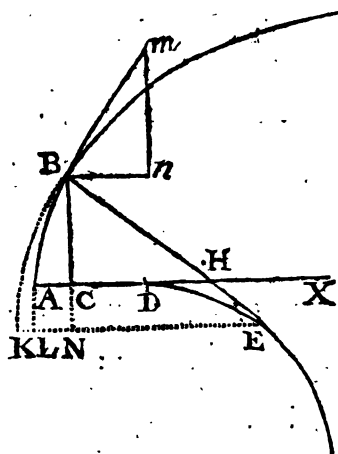
$\frac{x'^2 + y'^2}{x'y''}^{\frac{1}{2}} = BE$ ; or, substituting the *Fluxions*

for the *Increments* (*Article 6.*)  $BE =$

$$\frac{\sqrt{x'^2 + y'^2}}{x'y''}.$$

69. Or (without the Aid of *Increments*) thus. With the Radius E B, describe the circular Arch B K, which will therefore have the same Degree of Curvature as the Involute

Involute Curve A B at the Point B. Draw the Radius EK parallel to the Axis AX; and produce the Ordinate B C to N, to which draw AL parallel. Put the Absciss  $AC = x$ , Ordinate  $CB = y$ , Radius E B or EK  $= r$ ,  $KL = a$ , and  $LA = b$ ; then  $NE = r - a - x$ .



Now, if we suppose the Absciss ( $x$ ) to increase uniformly, and  $Bm$  to be a Tangent at the Point B; then, if we draw  $mn$  parallel to  $BC$ , and  $Bn$  parallel to  $AX$ , by *Art.* 37.  $Bn$ ,  $nm$ , and  $mB$ , will be as the *Fluxions* of the Absciss, Ordinate, and Curve, respectively, that is,  $Bn$  will be as  $\dot{x}$ ,  $nm$  as  $\dot{y}$ , and (because by 47 E.  $r. Bm = \sqrt{Bn^2 + nm^2}$ ;)  $Bm$  as  $\sqrt{\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2}$ . Now, the Triangles  $Bnm$  and  $BNE$

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BNE are similar; therefore  $Bn : nm :: BN : NE$ , i. e.  $\dot{x} : \dot{y} :: y + b : r - a - x$ ;  $\therefore r\dot{x} - a\dot{x} - x\dot{x} = y\dot{y} + b\dot{y}$ ; the *Fluxion* of which Equation (supposing  $\dot{x}$  invariable, and therefore, the Direction of the Curve AB continually approaching towards a Parallelism with its Axis, the *Fluxion* of  $y$  as Negative,) is  $-\dot{x}^2 = \dot{y}^2 - y\ddot{y} - b\ddot{y}$ ;  $\therefore \dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2 = b + y\ddot{y}$ . Again, by Sim.  $\Delta s$ ,  $NB : BE :: nB : Bm$ ,

$$\text{i. e. } b + y : r :: \dot{x} : \sqrt{\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}; \therefore b + y = \frac{r\dot{x}}{\sqrt{\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}};$$

which substituted for  $b + y$ , makes the above

$$\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2 = \frac{r\dot{x}\ddot{y}}{\sqrt{\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}}; \text{ therefore } \sqrt{\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} \times \sqrt{\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} = r\dot{x}\ddot{y}, \text{ i. e. } \sqrt{\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} = r\dot{x}\ddot{y}; \therefore \frac{\sqrt{\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}}{\dot{x}\ddot{y}} = r = BE; \text{ as before.}$$

70. *Note.* When the Absciss,  $x$ , flows with an uniform Motion, it follows from Art. 57. that the Ordinate,  $y$ , flows with a *retarded* Motion when it increases and the Curve is Concave, or when it decreases and the Curve is Convex towards the Axis; and with an *accelerated* Motion when it decreases and the Curve is Concave, or when it increases and the Curve is Convex towards the Axis. Now, when  $y$  increases with an accelerated

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celerated Motion, or its *Second Fluxion* is Affirmative, the general Expression for the Radius of Curvature will be  $= \frac{\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2}{-\dot{x}\dot{y}}$ .

71. HENCE, because we may substitute 1 for any invariable *Fluxion*, if we put  $\dot{x} = 1$ , the general Expression for the Radius of Curvature will be  $= \frac{1 + \dot{y}^2}{\dot{y}}$  when  $y$  increases

with a retarded Motion, or its *Second Fluxion* is Negative: And  $= \frac{1 + \dot{y}^2}{-\dot{y}}$  when  $y$  in-

creases with an accelerated Motion, or its *Second Fluxion* is Affirmative. The former takes Place when the Curve is *Concave*, and the latter when it is *Convex* towards the Axis.——Whetefore, if we put the Equation of the given Curve expressing the Relation between the Absciss  $x$  and Ordinate  $y$  into *Fluxions*, making  $\dot{x} = 1$ ; or from the Nature of the Curve, find the Value of  $\dot{x}$ , in Terms of  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $\dot{y}$ ; and then put this fluxional Equation into *Fluxions* again, still substituting 1 for  $\dot{x}$ , and making the *Fluxion* of  $\dot{y}$  Negative when the Curve is *Concave*, and Affirmative when it is *Convex* towards its Axis; from thence, the Values



lues of the *Second* and *Square* of the *First* Fluxions of  $y$  may be had or determined: Which therefore being substituted for them in one of these general Expressions, *viz.* in the *First* when the *Fluxion* of  $y$  is Negative; and in the *Second* when it is Affirmative: We shall then have a definitive Expression for BE, freed from *Fluxions*, or, the Radius of Curvature required.

72. *N. B.* The shortest Radius, or vertical Distance, AD, may be obtained, by writing for  $\dot{x}$  and  $\dot{y}$  their Values, in the general Expression for the Subnormal CH, which was found in *Article* 68. ( $= \frac{yy'}{\dot{x}}$ , i. e. by substituting

$\dot{x}$  for  $x'$ , and  $\dot{y}$  for  $y'$ ),  $= \frac{yy}{\dot{x}}$ ; or, mak-

ing  $\dot{x}=1$ , by substituting the Value of  $\dot{y}$  in  $yy$ , i. e. by multiplying the Value of  $\dot{y}$  by  $y$ ; and then making  $x$  and  $y$  vanish in the definitive Expression, which will then be found.—

For, the Expression for the Subnormal CH being the same, at whatever Point of the Curve B is taken; there-

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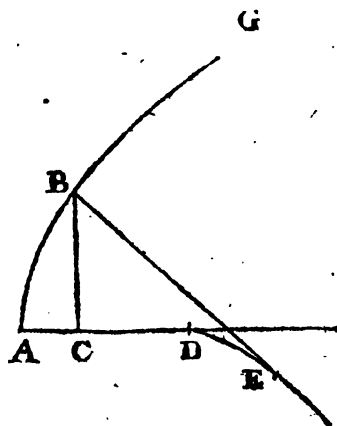
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fore, if it be taken at A, where  $x$  and  $y$  vanish, or become  $= 0$ , the Point G, must of consequence coincide with the Point or Vertex A, and the Points E and H, with D : *ergo*, &c.

73. *Note.* THE substituting *Unity*, or 1, rather than any other Number, for an *invariable Fluxion*, has no Manner of Effect on the Working, otherwise than by making the Operation much less laborious ; and, in reality, it is no more than making *Unity* the Standard of the other *Fluxions*, or reducing the other *Fluxions* to a Comparifon with 1.

#### EXAMPLE I.

74. To find a definitive Expression for the Radius of Curvature BE ; as also for AD, the



*Distance*

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*Distance of the Vertices of the Evolute and Involute Curves: Supposing the Involute Curve ABG to be the conic or common apollonian Parabola.*

THE Equation of the common Parabola is  $ax = y^2$ , (See *Art.* 41.) the *Fluxion* of which is  $ax = 2y\dot{y}$ , or, making  $\dot{x} = 1$ , it is  $a = 2y\dot{y}$ ; therefore  $\dot{y} = \frac{a}{2y} = \frac{a}{2\sqrt{ax}}$ , for  $y$  is  $= \sqrt{ax}$  by the Equation of the Curve: Now, the *Fluxion* of this Equation again, (the Direction of the Curve approaching continually towards a Parallelism with the Axis, and therefore the *Fluxion* of  $y$  being Negative, *Art.* 57.) is  $-\dot{y} = \frac{-a^2}{4xax^{\frac{1}{2}}}$ . Whence,

$$\dot{y}^2 = \frac{a^2}{4xax} = \frac{a}{4x}, \text{ and } \ddot{y} = \frac{-a^2}{4xax^{\frac{1}{2}}}.$$

Now, if for  $\dot{y}^2$  and  $\ddot{y}$  we substitute these their Values, we shall have  $\frac{1 + \dot{y}^2}{\ddot{y}}$ , the general Expression for the Radius of Curvature BE

$$(\text{Art. 71.}) = \frac{\left(1 + \frac{a}{4x}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \times 4xax^{\frac{1}{2}}}{a^2} = \frac{4ax + a^2}{2a^2};$$

which is the definitive Expression required.

And, by substituting for  $y$  its Value  $\frac{a}{2y}$ , in  $yy$

(*Art.* 72.) we have  $\frac{a}{2}$  or  $\frac{1}{2} a = AD$  the vertical Distance: Which same Truth may be inferred from the Expression for the Radius  $BE$ ; for, when the said Radius becomes the vertical Distance, that is, when the Point  $B$  coincides with  $A$ ,  $x$  vanishes; and therefore, by striking  $4ax$  out of the said Expression, we have  $\frac{a^2 \frac{1}{2}}{2a^2} = \frac{1}{2} a$ ; as before.

#### EXAMPLE II.

75. Let  $y^m = x$  express the Nature of all Parabolas universally, (*See Art.* 42.) To find the Radius of Curvature (or of Evolution,) and the vertical Distance; as also, the Consequences on these three Suppositions respectively, viz.  $m = 2$ ,  $m$  more than 2,  $m$  less than 2.

THE Fluxion of this Equation (making  $x=1$ .) is  $my^{m-1} \dot{y} = 1$ ; and the Fluxion of this again (supposing the Fluxion of  $y$  Negative,) is  $m-1 \times my^{-2} \dot{y}^2 - my^{m-1} \ddot{y} = 0$ . Hence

$\dot{y} =$

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$\dot{y} = \frac{1}{my^{m-1}}$ , and  $\dot{y}^2 = \frac{1}{m^2 y^{2m-2}}$ , and  $\ddot{y} = \frac{m-1 \times my^{m-2}}{my^{m-1}} \dot{y}^2 =$  (by dividing both the Numerator and Denominator by  $my^{m-2}$ ;)  $\frac{m-1}{y} \dot{y}^2 =$  (by writing for  $\dot{y}^2$  its equal,)  $\frac{m-1}{m^2 y^{2m-1}}$ . Now, by substituting for  $\dot{y}^2$  and  $\ddot{y}$  these their Values, we shall have the general Expreffion for the Radius of Curvature, *viz.*

$$\frac{\sqrt{1+\dot{y}^2}^{\frac{3}{2}}}{\dot{y}}, (\text{Art. 71.}) = \frac{\sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{m^2 y^{2m-2}}}^{\frac{3}{2}} \times m^2 y^{2m-1}}{m-1} = \frac{(m^2 y^{2m-2} + 1)^{\frac{3}{2}}}{m-1 \times my^{m-2}}$$

= the Radius of Curvature required. And

by substituting  $\frac{1}{my^{m-1}}$  for  $\dot{y}$ , in  $y\ddot{y}$  (Art. 72.)

we have the Subnormal =  $\frac{y}{my^{m-1}} = \frac{y^2}{my^m} =$

$\frac{y^{2-m}}{m}$ ; that is, when  $m = 2$ , the Subnor-

mal is =  $\frac{y^2}{2} = \frac{1}{2}$  = the vertical Distance; and

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when  $m$  is *more* than 2, then  $2-m$  will be a negative Index; and consequently the proper Place of  $y$  will be in the Denominator, and therefore, if  $y$  be made  $=0$ , the Expression will be infinite, and equal to the vertical Distance: And lastly, when  $m$  is *less* than 2, then  $2-m$  is a positive Index, and  $y$ 's proper Place is in the Numerator, as in the Expression; and therefore, when the Subnormal is equal to the vertical Distance, or  $y = 0$ , the said vertical Distance will be Nothing.

### EXAMPLE III.

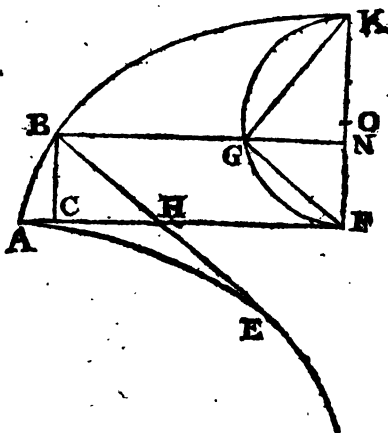
76. *To find the Radius of Curvature in that most beautiful mechanical Curve the Cycloid \*; as also, the Distance of its Vertex from that of the Evolute.*

PUT OF or OK  $= a$ , AC  $= x$ , CB  $= y$ , Sine NG  $= s$ , and Arch FG  $= z$ . Now, by the Property of Circles,  $NG = \overline{KN \times NF}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ , i. e.  $s = \overline{2ay - y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ ; the Fluxion of which Equation

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\* See how this Curve is generated, *Article 48. Note.*

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Equation is  $z = \frac{ay - yy}{2ay - y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ . And, by the Nature of the Cycloid, (See *Art.* 48.) Arch  $KG = GB$ ; and therefore, Arch  $FG = GN + AC$ , or  $AC = \text{Arch } FG - GN$ ; i. e.  $x = z - s =$  (by substituting for  $s$  its above Value,)  $z - 2ay - y^2^{\frac{1}{2}}$ ; and the Fluxion of this Equation (making  $\dot{x} = 1$ .) is  $1 = \dot{z} + \frac{yy - ay}{2ay - y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ . But (*Article* 69.)  $\dot{z} = \frac{\dot{s} + y^2^{\frac{1}{2}}}{s + y^2^{\frac{1}{2}}}$  (by writing for  $s$  its above Value,)  $\frac{\frac{ay - yy}{2ay - y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} + y^2^{\frac{1}{2}}}{\frac{ay}{2ay - y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}}$ ; which substituted for  $\dot{z}$ , makes the above Equation  $1 =$

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$$1 = \frac{ay}{2ay - y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} + \frac{yy - ay}{2ay - y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}; \text{ that is, } 1 = \frac{yy}{2ay - y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}; \text{ therefore } y = \frac{2ay - y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}; \text{ and}$$

the *Fluxion* of this again (the *Fluxion* of  $y$  being Negative,) is  $- \dot{y} =$

$$\frac{ay\dot{y} - y^2\dot{y}}{2ay - y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} - \dot{y} \times \frac{2ay - y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{-ay}{y \times 2ay - y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} =$$

(by writing for  $\dot{y}$  its equal,)  $-\frac{a}{y^2}$ ; that

is,  $\dot{y} = \frac{a}{y^2}$ . Now, by substituting  $\frac{2ay - y^2}{y^2}$

for  $\dot{y}^2$ , and  $\frac{a}{y^2}$  for  $\dot{y}$ , we shall have, by

$$\text{Art. 71. } \frac{1 + \dot{y}^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1 + \frac{2ay - y^2}{y^2}}^{\frac{1}{2}} \times y^2 =$$

$\frac{2ay}^{\frac{1}{2}} = BE$ , the Radius of Curvature re-

quired. Whence, by Analogy,  $BE : 2ay^{\frac{1}{2}} :: 2ay : ay$ , that is,  $BE : 2ay^{\frac{1}{2}} :: 2 : 1$ ; but  $2ay^{\frac{1}{2}} = \text{Chord } FG$ ; (for, by 47 E. 1.  $\overline{GN}^2 + \overline{NF}^2 = \overline{FG}^2$ , and, by the Property of Circles,  $\overline{GN}^2 = KN \times NF$ ; therefore,  $\overline{FG}^2$





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Point B of the Curve AD; whose Nature is such, that the Triangle CBT, made of the Ordinate, Tangent, and Subtangent, is always proportional to the Ordinate CB; or, whose Subtangent CT is always the same. (See Art. 50.)

PUT the given Subtangent  $CT = a$ ,  $GC = x$ ,  $CB = y$ ; then (by Art. 38.)  $\frac{x\dot{y}}{y} = a$ , that is, (if  $x$  be made  $= 1$ .)  $\frac{\dot{y}}{y} = \frac{a}{y}$ ;  $\therefore y = \frac{y^2}{a}$ ; therefore  $\dot{y}^2 = \frac{y^2}{a^2}$ , and (because here  $y$  flows with an accelerated Motion, or, its *Second Fluxion* is Affirmative,)  $\ddot{y} = \frac{\dot{y}}{a}$ , i. e. (by substituting  $\frac{y}{a}$  for  $\dot{y}$  its equal,)  $\ddot{y} = \frac{y}{a^2}$ . Now, by writing for  $\dot{y}^2$

and  $\ddot{y}$  these their Values, in  $\frac{1 + \dot{y}^2}{-\ddot{y}}$ , (Article

$$71.) \text{ we shall have } \frac{1 + \frac{y^2}{a^2}}{-\frac{y}{a^2}} \times a^2 = \frac{a^2 + y^2}{-ay}$$

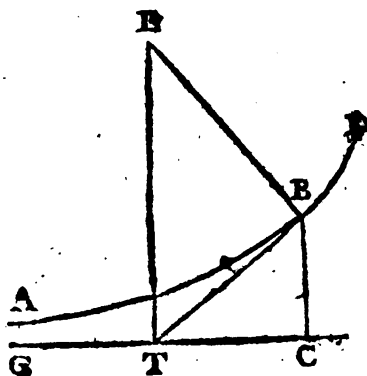
$=$  the Radius of Curvature sought: Where the negative Sign, only shews, that the Evolute and Radius of Curvature lie on the other

other Side of the Curve with regard to  $x$  and  $y$ .

78. *Note.* The above Curve is the *logarithmic Curve*, whose Asymptote is  $EG$ : which is so called, because when the said Asymptote is divided into any Number of equal Parts, as in the Points  $G$ ,  $T$ ,  $C$ ,  $E$ , the Ordinates to these Points will be in geometrical Progression; that is,  $GT$ ,  $GC$ , &c. will be the *Logarithms* of the Ordinates  $TF$ ,  $CB$ , &c.

EXAMPLE V.

79. To find the Radius of Curvature at any Point  $B$  of the Curve  $AD$ ; whose Nature



is such, that the Tangent  $BT$  is everywhere equal to the same given Line  $= a$ .

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Put  $GC=x$ ,  $CB=y$ ; then, by 47 E. 1.

$$\sqrt{TB^2 - BC^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} = CT, \text{ i. e. } \sqrt{a^2 - y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} =$$

$$CT = (\text{by Art. 38.}) \frac{xy}{y}, \text{ or (making}$$

$$x=1,) \sqrt{a^2 - y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{y}{y}; \therefore y = \frac{y}{\sqrt{a^2 - y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}};$$

therefore,  $\dot{y}^2 = \frac{y^2}{a^2 - y^2}$ , and (because the

*Fluxion* of  $y$  is Affirmative,)  $\ddot{y} =$

$$\frac{\dot{y} \times \sqrt{a^2 - y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} + \frac{y^2 \dot{y}}{a^2 - y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}}{a^2 - y^2}, \text{ i. e. (by substituting}$$

$$\text{for } \dot{y} \text{ its equal,)} \ddot{y} = \frac{y + \frac{y^3}{a^2 - y^2}}{a^2 - y^2} = \frac{a^2 y}{a^2 - y^2}^2$$

Now, by writing for  $\dot{y}^2$  and  $\ddot{y}$  these their

Values, in  $\frac{1 + \dot{y}^2}{-\ddot{y}}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ , (See Art. 71.) we shall

$$\text{have } \frac{1 + \frac{y^2}{a^2 - y^2}}{-\frac{a^2 y}{a^2 - y^2}^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} \times \sqrt{a^2 - y^2}^2, \text{ that is,}$$

$$\frac{a^2 \sqrt{1 + \frac{y^2}{a^2 - y^2}}^{\frac{1}{2}}}{-a^2 y}, \text{ or, } -\frac{a}{y} \times \sqrt{a^2 - y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} = \text{the}$$

Radius of Curvature required : Where the negative Sign shews its Position. Hence the following Construction; *viz.* On the Extremity of the Subtangent, T, erect the

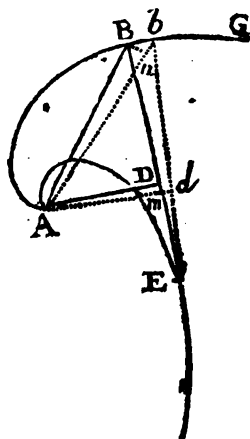
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Perpendicular TE; and draw the right Line BE perpendicular to the Tangent TB: then will BE be the Radius of Curvature at the Point B; or, the Point E will be in the Evolute Curve: For, the Triangles CBT and BTE will be similar; and consequently,  $BC : CT :: TB : BE$ , i. e.  $y : \overline{a^2 - y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} :: a : \frac{a}{y} \times \overline{a^2 - y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} = BE$ .

THE general Expression for the Radius of Evolution, or Curvature, found *Art. 71*, being only for Curves referred to an Axis; we shall now therefore deduce one for *Spirals*, or those Curves whose Ordinates are referred to a fixt or central Point.

80. LET ABG be the Curve; A, the



central Point, or that from which all the Ordinates

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Ordinates issue; and BE, the Radius of Curvature at the Point B, i. e. let the Point B be supposed in the Evolute Curve: Conceive  $Ab$  and  $Eb$  indefinitely near to AB and EB, i. e. let the Points B and  $b$  be supposed indefinitely near to each other; and let AD and  $Ad$  be perpendicular to EB and  $Eb$  respectively: then will the Points D and  $m$  be indefinitely near to a Coincidence; and therefore (*Art. 6.*) B  $m$  and A  $m$  may be taken as equal to BD and AD. Now, if with the Ordinate AB, as a Radius, the little circular Arch B  $n$  be described, and considered as a little right Line perpendicular to  $Ab$ ; and the Increment  $Bb$  be considered as coinciding with a Tangent to the Point B; then, the little right angled Triangle  $bnB$  will be similar to the right angled Triangle BDA; (for  $\angle ABn = \angle EBb$ ; and therefore,  $\angle EBn$  being common, the  $\angle ABD = \angle nBb$ ; and consequently, the Angles at D and  $n$  being right,  $\angle BAD = \angle Bbn$ ;) therefore,  $bB : Bn :: AB : BD$ ; that is, (if we put the Ordinate  $AB = y$ ,  $Bn = x'$ , and  $nb = y'$ , when by 47 E. 1.  $Bb$  will be  $= \sqrt{x'^2 + y'^2}$ ;)  $\sqrt{x'^2 + y'^2} : x' :: y :$

$$\frac{x'y}{\sqrt{x'^2 + y'^2}} = BD \text{ or } Bm; \text{ or (substituting } x'$$

for

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for  $\dot{x}$ , and  $\dot{y}$  for  $\dot{y}$ ;)  $\frac{\dot{x}\dot{y}}{\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2} = \text{ED or Bm.}$

Again,  $Bb : bn :: BA : AD$ ; that is,

$$\frac{\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2}{\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2} : \dot{y} :: \dot{y} : \frac{\dot{y}\dot{y}}{\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2} = AD \text{ or } Am;$$

or,  $\frac{\dot{y}\dot{y}}{\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2} = AD \text{ or } Am$ ; the *Fluxion* of

which is expressed by the *Increment*  $md$ ;  
that is, (supposing  $\dot{x}$  to be invariable,)

$$\frac{\dot{y}^2 + \dot{y}\dot{y} \times \dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2}{\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2} = \frac{\dot{y}\dot{y} \times \dot{y}\dot{y}}{\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2}$$

$$\frac{\dot{x}^2\dot{y}^2 + \dot{y}^4 + \dot{y}\dot{x}^2\dot{y}}{\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2} = md. \text{ But, by the similar}$$

Triangles  $EBb$  and  $Emd$ , we have  $Bb = md$ :

$Bb :: (BE - mE, \text{ or } mB : BE$ ; that is,

$$\left( \dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} - \frac{\dot{x}^2\dot{y}^2 + \dot{y}^4 + \dot{y}\dot{x}^2\dot{y}}{\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2} =$$

$$\frac{\dot{x}^4 + \dot{x}^2\dot{y}^2 - \dot{y}\dot{x}^2\dot{y}}{\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2} : \dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2 :: \frac{\dot{x}\dot{y}}{\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2}$$

$$\frac{\dot{y} \times \dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2}{\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2} = BE; \text{ which is a general Ex-}$$

pression for the Radius of Evolution, or Curvature, of all Curves referred to a fixt or central Point, when  $\dot{x}$  is invariable.

Wherefore,





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PUT the Circumference of the generating Circle  $DIGD = a$ , and its Radius  $AD$  or  $AG = b$ ; Ordinate  $AB = y$ , Arch  $DIG = z$ . Let  $Ag$  be supposed indefinitely near to  $AG$ ; i. e. let the  $\angle GAg$  be supposed indefinitely small; and with the Ordinate  $AB$ , as a Radius, describe the little circular Arch  $Bn$ , which put  $= x'$ ; also, put  $Gg = z'$ . Now, by the Nature of the Curve,  $a : b :: z : y$ , or,  $z = \frac{ay}{b}$ ; the *Fluxion* of which Equation is  $\dot{z} = \frac{a\dot{y}}{b}$ : But, by the similar Sectors  $ABn$

and  $AGg$ , we have  $y : x' :: b : z' = \frac{bx'}{y}$ , or  
(Article 6.)  $\dot{z} = \frac{b\dot{x}}{y}$ . Hence,  $\frac{a\dot{y}}{b} = \frac{b\dot{x}}{y}$ ;

that is (making  $\dot{x} = 1$ ),  $\frac{a\dot{y}}{b} = \frac{b}{y}$ ; which Equation reduced, gives  $\dot{y} = \frac{b^2}{ay}$ ; therefore

$y^2 = \frac{b^4}{a^2 y^2}$ , and  $\ddot{y} = \frac{-ab^2 \dot{y}}{a^2 y^3} =$  (by writing for

$\dot{y}$  its Value  $\frac{b^2}{ay}$ ),  $\frac{-b^4}{a^2 y^3}$ : And, if we substitute

for  $y^2$  and  $\ddot{y}$  these their Values, we shall have  $\frac{y \times \sqrt{1+y^2}^{\frac{3}{2}}}{1+y^2 - y\ddot{y}}$  (Article 81.) =

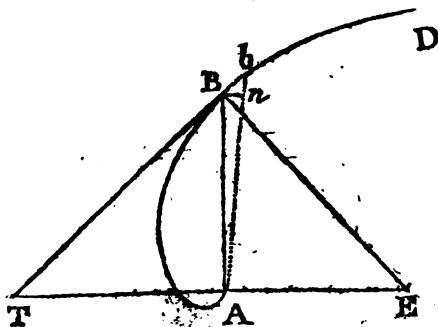
$$\frac{y \times 1 + \frac{b^4}{a^2 y^2}}{1 + \frac{b^4}{a^2 y^2} + \frac{b^4}{a^2 y^2}} = \frac{\overline{a^2 y^2 + b^4}^{\frac{3}{2}}}{a^2 y^2 + 2ab^4} = BE, \text{ the Ra-}$$

dus of Curvature sought.

### EXAMPLE II.

83. To find the Radius of Curvature at any Point B of the logarithmic Spiral ABD; whose Equation (putting the Ordinate AB=y, Curve AB=z, and a and b for two given Quantities,) is  $az=by$ . (See Article 55.)

THE Fluxion of the Equation of the Curve is  $az=by$ ; therefore  $\dot{z} = \frac{by}{a}$ . Let the An-



gle BAb be supposed indefinitely small; and  
with

with the Ordinate AB, as a Radius, let the little circular Arch Bn be described; which being considered as a little right Line perpendicular to Ab; and Bb as a little right Line coinciding with a Tangent to the Point B; we shall have, by 47 E. 1.  $bB = \sqrt{Bn^2 + nb^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ , i. e. (putting  $Bn=x'$ ,  $nb=y'$ , and  $Bb=z'$ ),  $z' = \sqrt{x'^2 + y'^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ , or, by substituting the *Fluxion* for the *Increment*,  $z = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ . Hence,  $\frac{by}{a} = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ , i. e. (if

we put  $x=1$ ),  $\frac{by}{a} = \sqrt{1+y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ ; which Equa-

tion squared is  $\frac{b^2 y^2}{a^2} = 1+y^2$ ; and this pro-

duces  $y^2 = \frac{a^2}{b^2 - a^2}$ ; therefore, by Evolution,

$y = \frac{a}{\sqrt{b^2 - a^2}}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ ; which being an invariable

Quantity, therefore  $\dot{y}=0$ . Now, by writing for  $y^2$  and  $\dot{y}$  these their Values, the general Expression for the Radius of Curvature,

viz.  $\frac{y \times \sqrt{1+y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}}{1+y^2 - y\dot{y}}$ , (Art. 81.) will become =

$$\frac{y \times 1 + \frac{a^2}{b^2 - a^2}}{1 + \frac{a^2}{b^2 - a^2} - 0} = y \sqrt{\frac{b^2}{b^2 - a^2}} = y \times$$

$$\frac{b}{\sqrt{b^2 - a^2}} = BE, \text{ the Radius of Curvature re-}$$

quired. Hence, and from *Article 55.* we have the following Construction: *viz.* Draw the right Line EAT perpendicular to the Ordinate AB; and make AT to TB as  $\sqrt{b^2 - a^2}$  is to  $b$ ; then, drawing BE perpendicular to BT, the Point E will be in the evolute Curve, or BE will be the Radius of Curvature at the Point B: For then, by *Article 55.* BT will be a Tangent, and the Subtangent AT  $= y \times \frac{\sqrt{b^2 - a^2}}{a}$ ; and (*Arti-*

*cle 67. Cor. 2.*) the Tangent and Radius of Curvature are always perpendicular to each other; therefore, because the Triangles TAB and BAE are similar, TA:AB::BA:AE,

$$\text{i. e. } y \times \frac{\sqrt{b^2 - a^2}}{a} : y :: y : \frac{ay}{\sqrt{b^2 - a^2}} = AE;$$

$$\text{but, by 47 E. 1. } BE = \sqrt{EA^2 + AB^2}^{\frac{1}{2}},$$

i. e.

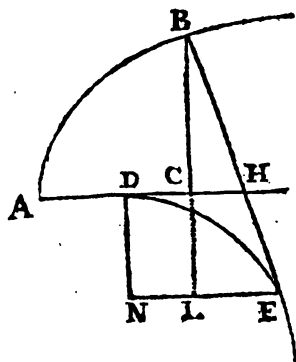
$$\text{i. e. } BE = \frac{\sqrt{\frac{a^2 y^2}{b^2 - a^2} + y^2}}{\frac{b}{\sqrt{b^2 - a^2}}} = \frac{\sqrt{\frac{b^2 y^2}{b^2 - a^2}}}{1} = y \times$$

## CHAP. VII.

*Of finding the Nature of the Evolute of a given Involute Curve.*

**A**S it is absolutely necessary for the Learner to be well acquainted with the foregoing Chapter before he enters upon this; we shall not here define the meaning of *evolute* and *involute* Curves, it being sufficiently explained therein.

84. LET BE be the Radius of Evolution at any Point B of the involute Curve AB,



whose

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whose Absciss is  $AC=x$ , and Ordinate  $CB=y$ . Parallel to  $HA$  draw  $EN$ ; produce  $BC$  to  $L$ ; and, equal and parallel to  $CL$ , draw  $DN$  from the Vertex of the Evolute  $DE$ . Then will the Triangles  $BHC$  and  $BEL$  be similar; and therefore,  $BH:HC::BE:EL$ , i. e. (by *Article* 68. writing the *Fluxion* for the *Increment*,)  $\frac{y}{x} \times \dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2 = \frac{y\dot{y}}{x}$

$$:: \frac{\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2}{x\dot{y}} : \frac{\dot{y} \times \dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^3}{x\dot{y}} = EL : \text{Again, } HC :$$

$$CB :: EL : LB, \text{ i. e. } \frac{y\dot{y}}{x} : y :: \frac{\dot{y} \times \dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^3}{x\dot{y}} :$$

$$\frac{\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2}{\dot{y}} = LB. \text{ Now, these are general}$$

Expressions for  $EL$  and  $LB$ , when  $\dot{x}$  is considered as invariable, and the *Fluxion* of  $y$  as Negative. Hence therefore,

85. If  $\dot{x} = 1$ , and the *Fluxion* of  $y$  be Negative; the general Expression for  $BL$  will be  $= \frac{1+\dot{y}^2}{\dot{y}}$ ; and this multiplied by  $\dot{y}$ ,

$$\text{is } \dot{y} \times \frac{1+\dot{y}^2}{\dot{y}} = \text{the general Expression for } LE.$$

Now, by Help of the Equation of the given involute Curve, exterminate  $\dot{y}$ ,  $\dot{y}^2$ , and  $\ddot{y}$ , out of these Expressions, as in the preceding Chapter;

Chapter; and, by *Article 72*, find the vertical Distane AD: Then, if we put the Absciss of the Evolute DN= $u$ , and its Ordinate NE= $v$ ; by Help of these two Equations,  $u=BL-BC$ , and  $v=AC-AD+LE$ , we may get the Nature of the evolute Curve DE required.

86. *Note*, If the given Involute be *convex* towards its Axis, and  $x$  and  $y$  increase together, or the *Fluxions* of  $x$  and  $y$  be both Affirmative; these general Expressions for BL and LE, will be  $\frac{1+\dot{y}^2}{-\dot{y}}$ , and  $\dot{y} \times \frac{1+\dot{y}^2}{-\dot{y}}$ , respectively; wherein, the negative Sign, only shews, that the Points L and E must be taken on the Concave Side of the involute Curve, that is, on the other Side of it with Regard to  $x$  and  $y$ .

# EXAMPLE I.

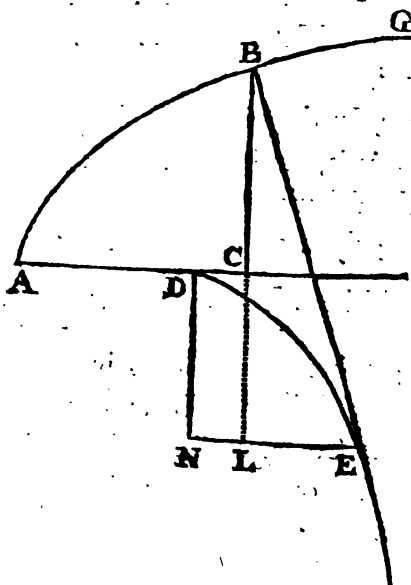
87. To find the Nature of that Curve by whose Evolution the common Parabola ABG is described.

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PUT  $AC=x$ ,  $CB=y$ ; and  $DN=u$ ,  $NE=v$ .

Now, by *Article* 74.  $\dot{y} = \frac{a}{2 \times \sqrt{ax}}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ ,  $\dot{y}^2 =$



$\frac{a}{4x}$ , and  $\ddot{y} = \frac{a^2}{4 \times \sqrt{ax}}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ ; which Values of  $\dot{y}$ ,

$\dot{y}^2$ , and  $\ddot{y}$ , being substituted for them, the gene-

ral Expression for BL, viz.  $\frac{1+\dot{y}^2}{\ddot{y}}$  (*Art.* 85.)

$$\text{becomes} = \frac{1 + \frac{a}{4x} \times 4 \cdot \sqrt{ax}^{\frac{1}{2}}}{a^2}$$



$\frac{4x + a \times ax}{a}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ ; and that for L E, viz.  $y \times$

$$\frac{1+y^2}{y} = y \times BL = \frac{a}{2 \times ax}^{\frac{1}{2}} \times \frac{4x + a \times ax}{a}^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$= 2x + \frac{1}{2}a. \text{ Hence, } u (=BL - BC) =$$

$$\frac{4x + a \times ax}{a}^{\frac{1}{2}} - (y \text{ or } ax)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{4x \cdot ax}{a}^{\frac{1}{2}}; \text{ and}$$

(because by *Art.* 74. the vertical Distance

$$AD = \frac{1}{2}a,) v (=AC - AD + LE) = x - \frac{1}{2}a +$$

$$2x + \frac{1}{2}a = 3x. \text{ Now, the former of these two}$$

Equations produces  $x^3 = \frac{au^2}{16}$ ; and, the Cube

of the latter, divided by 27, is  $x^3 = \frac{v^3}{27}$ :

therefore,  $\frac{au^2}{16} = \frac{v^3}{27}$ , and  $\frac{27a}{16}u^2 = v^3$ ; which

is the Equation of the Curve DE, expressing the Relation between its Abfcifs and Ordinate; and, the Equation of the cubical Pa-

rabola (whose Parameter is  $\frac{27a}{16}$ ;) being the

same; therefore, the Evolute DE, is the Semi-cubical Parabola, whose Vertex is D.

#### EXAMPLE II.

88. To find the Nature of the Curve AEP, by whose Evolution the given Cycloid ABD is described.\*

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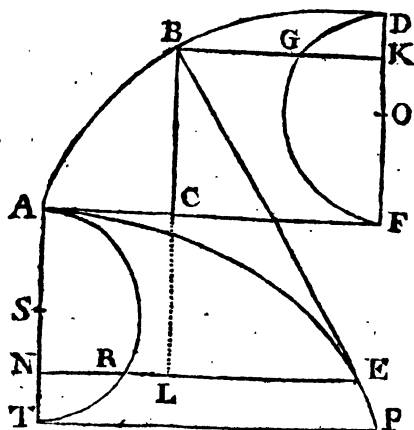
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\* See in what Manner a Cycloid is generated, Art. 48. Note.

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Put  $AC=x$ ,  $CB=y$ , Arch  $FG=z$ ,  $OD$   
or  $OF=a$ ; then (*Art.* 76.)  $j = \frac{\sqrt{2ay-y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}}{y}$ ,



$j^2 = \frac{2ay-y^2}{y^2}$ , and  $j = \frac{a}{y^2}$ : Wherefore, (See

*Art.* 85.)  $BL = \frac{1+j^2}{j} =$

$\frac{1 + \frac{2ay-y^2}{y^2} \times y^2}{\frac{a}{y}} = 2y$ , and  $LE = j \times BL =$   
 $\frac{\sqrt{2ay-y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}}{y} \times 2y = 2\sqrt{2ay-y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ . Hence, if we

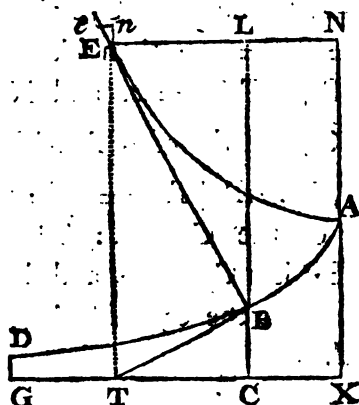
put the Absciss  $AN = u$ , and Ordinate  
 $NE = v$ , we have  $u = (BL - CB =)$   
 $2y - y = y$ , and  $v = (AC + LE =) x + 2 \times$   
 $\sqrt{2ay-y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$

$\sqrt{2ay-y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ , i. e. (because, *Article* 76.  $x = z - \sqrt{2ay-y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ ),  $v = z + \sqrt{2ay-y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ , or, writing  $u$  for  $y$  its equal,  $v = z + \sqrt{2au-u^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ . Wherefore the evolute Curve AEP is a Cycloid, and equal to the given Cycloid ABD. For, let  $AS = ST = a$ ; then (AN being  $= FK$ ),  $AR = FG = z$ , and  $NR = \sqrt{2au-u^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} = KG$ ; and therefore  $AR + RN = z + \sqrt{2au-u^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ , i. e.  $AR + RN = NE$ ; which is the Property of the Cycloid: Therefore the Evolute AEP is a Cycloid; and, because  $AT = FD$ , therefore the Cycloids AEP and ABD are equal.

## EXAMPLE III.

89. To find the Nature of the Evolute of the Curve AD, whose Tangent, BT, is every where equal to the same given Line,  $= a$ .

LET BE be the Radius of Curvature at the Point B; then, by *Art. 79*. if a Perpendicular be erected on the Point T, it will pass thro' the Point E; wherefore, when the



Point T coincides with X, i. e. when the Tangent and Ordinate become equal, or, the Points B and A coincide, the Point E will likewise coincide with A: Consequently, the Vertex of the Evolute coincides with that of the Involute. — Put  $GX = b$ ,  $GC = x$ ,  $CB = y$ ,  $AN = u$ ,  $NE = v$ ; then (*Art. 79*.)

$$\dot{y} = \frac{y}{a^2 - y^2} \dot{y}^2 = \frac{y^2}{a^2 - y^2}, \text{ and } \ddot{y} = \frac{a^2 y}{a^2 - y^2}.$$

$$\text{Wherefore, } BL \text{ (*Art. 86.*)} = \frac{1 + \dot{y}^2}{-\ddot{y}} =$$

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$$1 + \frac{y^2}{a^2 - y^2} \times - \frac{a^2 - y^2}{a^2 y} = \frac{a^2 - y^2}{-y}, \text{ and LE}$$

$$= y \times \frac{1 + \frac{y^2}{a^2 - y^2}}{-y} = y \times \text{BL} = \frac{y}{a^2 - y^2} \times \frac{a^2 - y^2}{-y} =$$

$-\frac{a^2 - y^2}{y}$ ; that is, (because the negative Sign only shews that the Points L and E must be taken on the Concave Side of the Involute Curve AD,)  $\text{BL} = \frac{a^2 - y^2}{y}$ , and

$\text{LE} = \frac{a^2 - y^2}{y}$ . Hence we have  $u = (\text{LB} + \text{BC} - \text{AX}) = \frac{a^2 - y^2}{y} + y - a$ , which gives  $y =$

$$\frac{a^2}{u + a}, \text{ and therefore } \dot{y} = - \frac{a^2 \dot{u}}{u^2 + a^2} : \text{ Also,}$$

$$v = (\text{GX} - \text{GC} + \text{CT}) = b - x + \frac{a^2 - y^2}{y},$$

$$\text{and therefore } \dot{v} = -\dot{x} - \frac{a^2 \dot{y}}{a^2 - y^2} = (\text{be-}$$

cause, *Article* 38.  $\text{CT} = \frac{xy}{y} = \frac{xy}{a^2 - y^2}$ , or,

$$\dot{x} = \frac{\dot{y}}{y} \times \frac{a^2 - y^2}{y}, \text{ ) } - \frac{\dot{y}}{y} \times \frac{a^2 - y^2}{y} =$$

$$\frac{y \dot{y}}{a^2 - y^2} = \frac{-a^2 \dot{y}}{y \times a^2 - y^2}, \text{ i. e. (by writing}$$

for  $y$  and  $\dot{y}$  their above Values affected with

$$u \text{ and } \dot{u},) \quad \dot{v} = \frac{a \dot{u}}{u^2 + 2au}; \text{ which is an E-}$$

quation

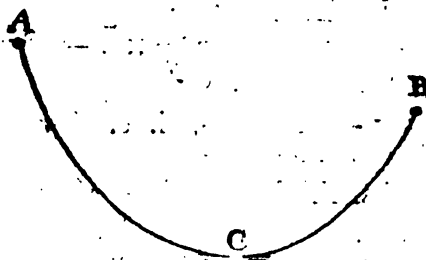
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quation for the Evolute Curve AE; and is also an Equation of the *Catenary* Curve: therefore, the Evolute AE is the *Catenary*.

BUT, the above Equation of the Evolute, may be found otherwise, thus. Let  $En = u'$ , and  $ne = v'$ ; then, the Triangles  $enE$  and  $EBT$  being similar, we have  $en$  :  $nE$  ::  $TB$  :  $BE$ , i. e.  $v' : u' :: a : \frac{au'}{v} = BE$ ,

or (*Article 6.*)  $\frac{au}{v} = BE$ : But,  $BE = \sqrt{ET^2 - TB^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ , i. e. (because  $ET = NX = u + a$ .)  $BE = \sqrt{u + a^2 - a^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} = \sqrt{u^2 + 2au}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ ; Therefore,  $\frac{au}{v} = \sqrt{u^2 + 2au}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ , and  $v = \frac{au}{\sqrt{u^2 + 2au}^{\frac{1}{2}}}$ ; as before.

*Note.* The *Catenary* is a Curve, as ACB,



formed by a flexible Line hanging freely from

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from two Points of Suspension, A and B, whether these Points be Horizontal or not.

90. THE *Evolute* of a *Spiral*, may be obtained, by finding the Radii of Curvature, in Numbers, at several Points of the *Involute*; which will give as many Points in the *Evolute* Curve: and then, a Curve Line drawn through the Points so found, will be the *Evolute* sought.

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P A R T II.

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C H A P. I.

*Of Infinite Series.*

**A**s the Learner may, perhaps, be unacquainted with *Infinite Series*, the Knowledge of which is sometimes absolutely necessary in Order to find the *Fluents* (or flowing Quantities) of *Fluxions* expressed in a fractional Manner, and of such wherein there are Surds or radical Quantities; and, because in some of the following Chapters, the *Fluents* of such fluxional Expressions are to be found; the adding of this Chapter, may therefore not be improper, though it is, in some Measure, foreign to the Business in Hand.

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## P R O B. I.

*To reduce fractional Quantities into infinite Series; i. e. to find an infinite Number of Terms, the Sum of which is equal to a given fractional Expression.*

## E X A M P L E I.

91. *Let it be required to reduce  $\frac{b}{a+x}$  into an infinite Series.*

PLACE  $a+x$  as a Divisor, and  $b$  as a Dividend; and divide, as in common Division, till you have 4, 5, 6, or more Terms in the Quotient; (See the Operation below;) after which, you may find as many Terms as you please, by considering the Law of the Progression of the Terms already found. Thus,

the four first Terms being  $\frac{b}{a} - \frac{bx}{a^2} +$

$\frac{bx^2}{a^3} - \frac{bx^3}{a^4}$ , the Law of the Continuation

of the Division, or of the Series, is plain; for the Quotient consists of an infinite Series of fractional Terms, whose Numerators are the Powers of  $x$  (the Indices of which are 1 less than the Numbers of the Terms in which they respectively stand,) multiplied by  $b$ ; and whose

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whose Denominators are the Powers of  $a$ , the Indices of which are 1 more than those of the corresponding Numerators; the connective Signs  $+$  and  $-$  being alternately changed: Therefore the fifth Term will be

$$+ \frac{bx^4}{a^5}, \text{ and the sixth Term } - \frac{bx^5}{a^6}.$$
 And,

if an infinite Series, or Number of Terms, be so taken, it will be the exact Quotient of the Division, and consequently exactly equal to the given fractional Expression: But (generally) a few of the first Terms of the Series, are near enough the Truth for any Purpose.

OPERATION.

$$\begin{array}{r}
 a+x) b \dots \left( \frac{b}{a} - \frac{bx}{a^2} + \frac{bx^2}{a^3} - \frac{bx^3}{a^4} + \mathcal{C}c. \right. \\
 \underline{b + \frac{bx}{a}} \\
 0 - \frac{bx}{a} \\
 \underline{- \frac{bx}{a} - \frac{bx^2}{a^2}} \\
 0 + \frac{bx^2}{a^2} \\
 \underline{\frac{bx^2}{a^2} + \frac{bx^3}{a^3}} \\
 0 - \frac{bx^3}{a^3} \\
 \underline{- \frac{bx^3}{a^3} - \frac{bx^4}{a^4}} \\
 0 + \frac{bx^4}{a^4}
 \end{array}$$

Or, if we put  $x$  before  $a$ , in the Denominator of the above fractional Expression, i. e. if the Divisor be placed thus,  $x+a$ , instead of  $a+x$ ; then, the Quotient, or Series, will be  $\frac{b}{x} - \frac{ba}{x^2} + \frac{ba^2}{x^3} - \frac{ba^3}{x^4} + \mathcal{C}c.$  Whence  
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the Law of the Continuation of the Series may be observed as before.

92. *Note.* THERE will always be as many Quotients, or infinite Series, as there are Terms in the Denominator, or Divisor; though only one of them true: and to find this, you must always place the greatest Terms in the Divisor and Dividend first; i. e. if in the above Example, for Instance,  $a$  be greater than  $x$ , then  $a$  must be the first Term in the Divisor, and  $\frac{b}{a}$  —

$$\frac{bx}{a^2} + \frac{bx^2}{a^3} - \frac{bx^3}{a^4} + \&c. \text{ will be the true Series:}$$

But, if  $x$  be greater than  $a$ ; then  $x$  must be the first Term in the Divisor, and

$$\frac{b}{x} - \frac{ba}{x^2} + \frac{ba^2}{x^3} - \frac{ba^3}{x^4} + \&c. \text{ will be the true}$$

Series; the other, then, being a diverging one; and consequently, the farther you go in the Series, the farther it will be from the Truth.

### EXAMPLE II.

93. Let it be required to throw  $\frac{a^2}{a^2 + 2ax + x^2}$  into an infinite Series; supposing  $a^2$  to be greater than  $2ax$  or  $x^2$ ,

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OPERATION.

$$\begin{array}{r}
 x^2 + 2ax + x^2 \quad x^2 \dots\dots\dots (1 - \frac{2x}{a} + \frac{3x^2}{a^2} - \frac{4x^3}{a^3} + \text{&c.} \\
 \hline
 0 - 2ax - x^2 \\
 \hline
 x^2 + 2ax + x^2 \\
 \hline
 0 - 2ax - 4x^2 - \frac{2x^3}{a} \\
 \hline
 0 + 3x^2 + \frac{2x^3}{a} \\
 \hline
 3x^2 + \frac{6x^3}{a} + \frac{3x^4}{a^2} \\
 \hline
 0 - \frac{4x^3}{a} - \frac{3x^4}{a^2} \\
 \hline
 - \frac{4x^3}{a} - \frac{8x^4}{a^2} - \frac{4x^5}{a^3} \\
 \hline
 0 + \frac{5x^4}{a^2} + \frac{4x^5}{a^3}
 \end{array}$$

Now, from these four Terms, it is easy to see, that the Law of Continuation is such, that the Numerators, are the Powers of  $x$ , whose Exponents are 1 less than the Numbers of the Terms to which they respectively belong,

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belong, multiplied by the said Numbers; and the Denominators, the Powers of  $a$ , whose Exponents are the same with those of the corresponding Numerators; the Signs being changed alternately: So that the fifth Term is  $+\frac{5x^4}{a^4}$ , the sixth Term is  $-\frac{6x^5}{a^5}$ , and so on.

### P R O B. II.

*To reduce a compound Surd Quantity into an infinite Series; i. e. to free a compound Expression from Surds, by throwing it into an infinite Series.*

#### E X A M P L E I.

94. *Let it be required to throw  $\sqrt{a^2+x^2}$ , i. e.  $(a^2+x^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$ , into an infinite Series.*

*Note.* IN order to have a true Series, the greatest Term must be placed first, as in *Prob. I.* Therefore, supposing  $a^2$  to be greater than  $x^2$ ,

TAKE the Square Root of  $a^2$ , which is  $a$ , for the *first* Term of the Root or Series, (See the Operation below;) then, this squared and subtracted from  $a^2+x^2$ , leaves  $+x^2$ ; and this

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this Remainder divided (as in the common Extraction of the Square Root,) by the double of the first Term, *viz.* by  $2a$ , gives  $+\frac{x^2}{2a}$  for the *second* Term of the Root; which, together with the double of the first Term, being multiplied by  $\frac{x^2}{2a}$  the said second Term,

gives  $x^2 + \frac{x^4}{4a^2}$ , and this subtracted from  $x^2$

leaves  $-\frac{x^4}{4a^2}$ , which divided by the double

of the two first Terms in the Root, *viz.* by

$2a + \frac{x^2}{a}$ , gives  $-\frac{x^4}{8a^3}$  for the *third* Term

of the Root; which, together with the double

of the two first Terms, *viz.*  $2a + \frac{x^2}{a}$ , be-

ing multiplied by  $-\frac{x^4}{8a^3}$  the said third

Term, gives  $-\frac{x^4}{4a^3} - \frac{x^6}{8a^4} + \frac{x^8}{64a^6}$ , and this

subtracted from  $-\frac{x^4}{4a^3}$  leaves  $\frac{x^6}{8a^4} -$

$\frac{x^8}{64a^6}$ , which divided by the double of the

three first Terms of the Root already found,

*viz.*



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viz. by  $2a + \frac{x^2}{a} - \frac{x^4}{4a^3}$ , gives  $+\frac{x^6}{16a^5}$  for the *fourth* Term in the Root. And, after the same Manner, may be found any Number of Terms in the Root: and, when the Law of the Progression, or continuation of the Series, is discovered, the Terms may be continued on at Pleasure.

## OPERATION.

$$\begin{array}{r}
 a^2 + x^2 \left( a + \frac{x^2}{2a} - \frac{x^4}{8a^3} + \frac{x^6}{16a^5} \right) \\
 \hline
 2a + \frac{x^2}{a} - \frac{x^4}{4a^3} \dots\dots\dots 0 + \frac{x^6}{8a^5} - \frac{x^8}{64a^7} \\
 \hline
 \frac{x^2 + \frac{x^4}{4a^2}}{2a + \frac{x^2}{a} - \frac{x^4}{4a^3}} \dots\dots\dots 0 - \frac{x^4}{4a^2} \\
 \hline
 \frac{\frac{x^4}{4a^2} - \frac{x^6}{8a^4} + \frac{x^8}{64a^6}}{2a + \frac{x^2}{a} - \frac{x^4}{4a^3}} \dots\dots\dots 0 + \frac{x^6}{8a^5} - \frac{x^8}{64a^7}
 \end{array}$$

EXAMPLE II.

95. Let it be required to throw  $\sqrt{x-x^2}$  into an infinite Series.

OPERATION.

$$\begin{array}{r}
 x - x^2 \left( x^{\frac{1}{2}} - \frac{1}{2}x^{\frac{3}{2}} - \frac{1}{8}x^{\frac{5}{2}} - \frac{1}{16}x^{\frac{7}{2}} - \frac{5}{128}x^{\frac{9}{2}} - \text{etc.} \right) \\
 2x^{\frac{1}{2}} \overline{) 0 - x^2} \\
 \quad - x^2 + \frac{1}{4}x^3 \\
 \quad \quad \quad \frac{1}{4}x^3 \\
 2x^{\frac{1}{2}} - x^{\frac{3}{2}} \overline{) \dots 0 - \frac{1}{4}x^3} \\
 \quad \quad \quad - \frac{1}{4}x^3 + \frac{1}{8}x^4 + \frac{1}{64}x^5 \\
 \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \frac{1}{8}x^4 + \frac{1}{64}x^5 \\
 2x^{\frac{1}{2}} - x^{\frac{3}{2}} - \frac{1}{4}x^{\frac{5}{2}} \overline{) \dots 0 - \frac{1}{8}x^4 - \frac{1}{64}x^5} \\
 \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad - \frac{1}{8}x^4 + \frac{1}{16}x^5 + \frac{1}{64}x^6 + \frac{1}{256}x^7 \\
 \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \frac{5}{64}x^5 - \frac{1}{64}x^6 - \frac{1}{256}x^7
 \end{array}$$

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So that  $\sqrt[n]{x^m}$  is  $= x^{\frac{m}{n}} - \frac{1}{2} x^{\frac{m}{n}-1} - \frac{1}{8} x^{\frac{m}{n}-2} -$

$$\frac{1}{16} x^{\frac{m}{n}-3} - \frac{5}{128} x^{\frac{m}{n}-4} - \&c.$$

AND, after the same Manner, may any such common surd Quantity be reduced into an infinite Series: But, with much greater Ease and Expedition,

96. ALL Sorts of fractional and surd Quantities may be reduced into infinite Series, by a most curious and excellent Theorem, invented for that purpose by the Great and Illustrious Sir *Isaac Newton*, called his

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which is this, viz.  $\sqrt[n]{P+PQ} = P^{\frac{m}{n}} + \frac{m}{n} A Q + \frac{m-n}{2n} B Q + \frac{m-2n}{3n} C Q + \frac{m-3n}{4n} D Q + \frac{m-4n}{5n} E Q + \&c.$  Wherein,

it must be observed, that,  $P+PQ$  represents the Quantity, whose Root, Dimension, or Root of the Dimension, is required to be thrown into an infinite Series;  $P$  the first Term of that Quantity, which must be the greatest;  $Q$  the rest of the Terms divided

by the first;  $\frac{m}{n}$  the numerical Index of the Dimension or Power of  $P + PQ$ , whether that Power be Affirmative or Negative, Integral or Fractional; and  $A, B, C, D, E$ , &c. the Terms in the Series or Quotient already

$$\text{found; i. e. } A = P^{\frac{m}{n}}, B = \frac{m}{n} A Q, C = \frac{m-n}{2n} B Q, D = \frac{m-2n}{3n} C Q, E = \frac{m-3n}{4n} D Q;$$

or,  $A$  = the first Term,  $B$  = the second Term,  $C$  = the third Term,  $D$  = the fourth Term,  $E$  = the fifth Term, &c. — The following Examples, will explain, and shew the great Use of this noble Theorem.

#### EXAMPLE I.

97. Let it be required to throw  $a^2 + x^2$  into an infinite Series;  $a^2$  being supposed greater than  $x^2$ .

$$\text{HERE, } P = a^2, Q = \frac{x^2}{a^2}, m = 1, n = 2,$$

$$A = P^{\frac{m}{n}} = a, B = \frac{m}{n} A Q = \frac{x^2}{2a}, C = \frac{m-n}{2n} \times$$

$$B Q = -\frac{x^4}{8a^3}, D = \frac{m-2n}{3n} C Q = \frac{x^6}{16a^5},$$

$$E =$$

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$$E = \frac{m-3n}{4n} DQ = -\frac{5x^8}{128a^7}; \text{ \&c. therefore}$$

$$\sqrt{a^2+x^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} = a + \frac{x^2}{2a} - \frac{x^4}{8a^3} + \frac{x^6}{16a^5} - \frac{5x^8}{128a^7}, \text{ \&c.}$$

## EXAMPLE II.

98. Let it be required to put  $\sqrt{x-x^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$  into an infinite Series.

$$\text{HERE, } P=x, Q=-\frac{x^2}{x} = -x,$$

$$m=1, n=2, A=x^{\frac{1}{2}}, B=-\frac{1}{2}x$$

$$x^{\frac{1}{2}}, C=-\frac{1}{8}x^{\frac{3}{2}}, D=-\frac{1}{16}x^{\frac{5}{2}}, \text{ \&c.}$$

$$\text{therefore } \sqrt{x-x^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} = x^{\frac{1}{2}} - \frac{1}{2}x^{\frac{3}{2}} - \frac{1}{8}x^{\frac{5}{2}}$$

$$- \frac{1}{16}x^{\frac{7}{2}}, \text{ \&c.}$$

## EXAMPLE III.

99. Let it be required to put  $\frac{b}{a+x}$  into an infinite Series;  $x$  being less than  $a$ .

$$\frac{b}{a+x}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \frac{b}{a+x} \text{ is } &= b \times \frac{1}{a+x} = b \times (a+x)^{-1}; \text{ and} \\ P &= a, Q = \frac{x}{a}, m=1, n=-1, A=a^{-1} \\ &= \frac{1}{a}, B = -\frac{x}{a^2}, C = \frac{x^2}{a^3}, D = -\frac{x^3}{a^4}, E = \frac{x^4}{a^5}, \&c. \text{ therefore } b \times (a+x)^{-1} \\ &= b \times : \frac{1}{a} - \frac{x}{a^2} + \frac{x^2}{a^3} - \frac{x^3}{a^4} + \frac{x^4}{a^5}, \\ \&c. \text{ that is, } \frac{b}{a+x} &= \frac{b}{a} - \frac{bx}{a^2} + \frac{bx^2}{a^3} - \frac{bx^3}{a^4} + \frac{bx^4}{a^5}, \&c. \end{aligned}$$

EXAMPLE IV.

100. Let it be required to put  $\frac{a^2}{(a+x)^2}$  into an infinite Series; where  $a$  is supposed greater than  $x$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{a^2}{(a+x)^2} \text{ is } &= a^2 \times (a+x)^{-2}; \text{ and } P=a, Q= \\ \frac{x}{a}, m &= -2, n=1, A=a^{-2}=\frac{1}{a^2}, \\ B &= -\frac{2x}{a^3}, C = \frac{3x^2}{a^4}, D = -\frac{4x^3}{a^5}, E = \\ &5x^4 \end{aligned}$$

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$\frac{5x^4}{a^6}$ , &c. therefore  $a^2 \times \overline{a+x}^{-2} = a^2 \times :$

$$\frac{1}{a^2} - \frac{2x}{a^3} + \frac{3x^2}{a^4} - \frac{4x^3}{a^5} + \frac{5x^4}{a^6}, \&c.$$

that is,  $\frac{a^2}{a+x}^2 = 1 - \frac{2x}{a} + \frac{3x^2}{a^2} -$

$$\frac{4x^3}{a^3} + \frac{5x^4}{a^4}, \&c.$$

EXAMPLE V.

101. Let it be required to put  $\frac{1}{a^2-x^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ , i. e.  
 $\overline{a^2-x^2}^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ , into an infinite Series.

HERE  $P = a^2$ ,  $Q = -\frac{x^2}{a^2}$ ,  $m = -\frac{1}{2}$ ,

$n = 2$ ; and  $A = \overline{a^2}^{-\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{a}$ ,  $B = -$

$$\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{a} \times -\frac{x^2}{a^2} = \frac{x^2}{2a^3}, C = -\frac{3}{4} \times \frac{x^2}{2a^3} \times$$

$$-\frac{x^2}{a^2} = \frac{3x^4}{8a^5}, D = -\frac{5}{6} \times \frac{3x^4}{8a^5} \times -\frac{x^2}{a^2}$$

$$= \frac{15x^6}{48a^7}, \&c. \text{ therefore } \overline{a^2-x^2}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \text{ is } =$$

$$\frac{1}{a} + \frac{x^2}{2a^3} + \frac{3x^4}{8a^5} + \frac{15x^6}{48a^7}, \&c.$$

102. BUT,

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102. BUT, we may often find the Series answering to a proposed Quantity, by the

following *Universal Theorem*, viz.  $\sqrt[m]{P+PQ}$

$$= P^{\frac{m}{n}} \times \left( 1 + \frac{m}{n} Q + \frac{m}{n} \times \frac{m-n}{2n} Q^2 + \frac{m}{n} \times \right.$$

$$\left. \frac{m-n}{2n} \times \frac{m-2n}{3n} Q^3 + \frac{m}{n} \times \frac{m-n}{2n} \times \frac{m-2n}{3n} \times \right.$$

$$\left. \frac{m-3n}{4n} Q^4 + \&c. \right) \text{ (which indeed is the same}$$

as the foregoing, though differently expressed,) with still more Ease and Expedition; for herein, no previous Deduction is required; and both the Numerators and Denomi-

nators of the Fractions  $\frac{m}{n}$ ,  $\frac{m-n}{2n}$ ,

$\frac{m-2n}{3n}$ ,  $\frac{m-3n}{4n}$ , &c. are Series of Numbers

in Arithmetical Progression, which have the same common Difference  $n$ . This will appear by the following Examples. — But *Note*, The former Theorem is, in general, best adapted to shew the *Law* of the Series.

## EXAMPLE I.

103. Let  $\sqrt{x-x^2}$  be required to be put into an infinite Series.

HERE



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HERE  $P=x$ ,  $Q=-\frac{x^2}{x}=-x$ ,  $m=1$ ,

$n=2$ ; therefore  $\sqrt{x-x^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}=x^{\frac{1}{2}} \times 1 - \frac{1}{2}x +$

$$\frac{1 \times -1}{2 \times 4}x^2 - \frac{1 \times -1 \times -3}{2 \times 4 \times 6}x^3 + \frac{1 \times -1 \times -3 \times -5}{2 \times 4 \times 6 \times 8}$$

$\times x^4 - \text{&c. i. e.} = x^{\frac{1}{2}} \times 1 - \frac{1}{2}x -$

$$\frac{1}{2.4}x^2 - \frac{3}{2.4.6}x^3 - \frac{3.5}{2.4.6.8}x^4 - \text{&c. or,}$$

$$x^{\frac{1}{2}} - \frac{x^{\frac{3}{2}}}{2} - \frac{x^{\frac{5}{2}}}{2.4} - \frac{3.x^{\frac{7}{2}}}{2.4.6} - \frac{3.5.x^{\frac{9}{2}}}{2.4.6.8} - \text{&c.}$$

## EXAMPLE II.

104. Let  $\sqrt{a+x}^{\frac{1}{2}}$  be required to be put into an infinite Series; supposing  $a$  to be more than  $x$ .

HERE  $P=a$ ,  $Q=\frac{x}{a}$ ,  $m=5$ ,  $n=3$ ;

therefore  $\sqrt{a+x}^{\frac{1}{2}} = a^{\frac{1}{2}} \times 1 + \frac{5}{3} \times \frac{x}{a} + \frac{5.2}{3.6}x$

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{5.2.-1}{3.6.9} \times \frac{x^3}{a^3} + \frac{5.2.-1.-4}{3.6.9.12} \times \frac{x^4}{a^4} +$$

$\text{&c. i. e.} = a^{\frac{1}{2}} + \frac{5.a^{\frac{1}{2}}x}{3} + \frac{5.2.x^2}{4.6.a^{\frac{1}{2}}} - \frac{5.2.x^3}{3.6.9.a^{\frac{1}{2}}} +$

$$\frac{5.2.4.x^4}{3.6.9.12.a^{\frac{1}{2}}} - \text{&c.}$$

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## EXAMPLE III.

105. Let  $\frac{b}{a+x}$ , i. e.  $b \times \overline{a+x}^{-1}$ , be required to be put into an infinite Series; supposing  $a$  to be greater than  $x$ .

HERE  $P=a$ ,  $Q=\frac{x}{a}$ ,  $m=1$ ,  $n=-1$ ;

and therefore  $\frac{m}{n}$ ,  $\frac{m}{n} \times \frac{m-n}{2n}$ ,  $\frac{m}{n} \times$

$\frac{m-n}{2n} \times \frac{m-2n}{3n}$ ,  $\frac{m}{n} \times \frac{m-n}{2n} \times \frac{m-2n}{3n} \times$

$\frac{m-3n}{4n}$ , &c. will be  $-1$  and  $+1$  alternately;

and consequently  $b \times \overline{a+x}^{-1}$  is =

$b \times a^{-1} \times 1 - \frac{x}{a} + \frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{x^3}{a^3} + \frac{x^4}{a^4} -$

&c. i. e.  $\frac{b}{a+x} = \frac{b}{a} - \frac{bx}{a^2} + \frac{bx^2}{a^3} - \frac{bx^3}{a^4} +$

$\frac{bx^4}{a^5} - \&c.$

## EXAMPLE IV.

106. Let  $\overline{1-x}^{\frac{1}{2}}$  be required to be put into an infinite Series.

HERE

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HERE  $P=1$ ,  $Q=-x$ ,  $m=1$ ,  $n=4$ ;

therefore  $\sqrt[4]{1-x^2} = 1 - \frac{1}{4}x + \frac{1 \cdot 3}{4 \cdot 8}x^2 -$

$\frac{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 7}{4 \cdot 8 \cdot 12}x^3 + \frac{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 7 \cdot 11}{4 \cdot 8 \cdot 12 \cdot 16}x^4 - \&c.$  that

is,  $= 1 - \frac{1}{4}x - \frac{3}{4 \cdot 8}x^2 - \frac{3 \cdot 7}{4 \cdot 8 \cdot 12}x^3 -$

$\frac{3 \cdot 7 \cdot 11}{4 \cdot 8 \cdot 12 \cdot 16}x^4 - \&c.$

## CHAP. II.

*Of finding the FLUENT of a given FLUXION.*

107. **T**HE Business of the *Direct Method of Fluxions*, being to find the *Fluxion* of a given *Fluent*, or, the *Velocity* with which a *variable Quantity* flows at any Point or Term assigned: So, the Business of the *Inverse Method of Fluxions*, is to determine the *variable Quantity*, or *Fluent*, from that *Velocity* or *Fluxion* being given. And this, in general, may be done by the following *Rules*; these being derived from those delivered in *Part 1. Chap. 2.*

## R U L E I.

108. *To find the Fluent of a Simple Fluxion ; or, of that wherein there is no variable Quantity, and but one Fluxional Letter.*

SUBSTITUTE the variable or flowing Letter for its Fluxion ; and you will have the Fluent required.

Thus, the *Fluent* of  $ax$  is  $=ax$ ,

## R U L E II.

109. *To find the Fluent of a fluxional Expression which consists of the Products of two or more variable (or variable and invariable) Quantities drawn into their Fluxions ; i. e. which consists of the Fluxion of each Quantity, multiplied into the other or Product of the rest of the Quantities : as  $xy+xy$ , or  $xyz+xyz+xyz$ , or  $axy+axy$ .*

MULTIPLY the variable and (if any) invariable Quantities together ; and the Product is the *Fluent* sought.

Thus, the *Fluent* of  $xy+xy$  is  $=xy$  ; and the *Fluent* of  $xyz+xyz+xyz$  is  $=xyz$  : So likewise, the *Fluent* of  $axy+axy$  is  $=axy$  ; and the *Fluent* of  $axyz+axyz+axyz$  is  $=axyz$ .

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R U L E III.

110. To find the *Fluent* of a *fluxional Expression* which consists of the *Fluxion* of a *variable Quantity* drawn into any *Power* of that *Quantity* contained any *Number* of *Times*; as  $2x^2\dot{x}$ .

STRIKE out the *fluxional Letter*; add 1 to the *Index* of the *Power* of the *variable Quantity*; and divide the *Coefficient* by the *Index* thus increased: and then you will have the *Fluent* sought.

Thus, the *Fluent* of  $2x^2\dot{x}$  is  $= \frac{2}{3}x^3$ ; the

*Fluent* of  $-\frac{\dot{x}}{x^2}$ , i. e. of  $-x^{-2}\dot{x}$ , is  $= -x^{-2+1}$  divided by  $-2 + 1$ , that is;  $= \frac{-x^{-1}}{-1}$ , or  $x^{-1}$ , or  $\frac{1}{x}$ . And, Universally,

the *Fluent* of  $mx^{m-1}\dot{x}$  is  $= x^m$ ; the *Fluent* of  $\frac{m}{n} x^{\frac{m}{n}-1}\dot{x}$  is  $= x^{\frac{m}{n}}$ ; and the *Fluent* of

$$ax^{\frac{m}{n}}\dot{x} \text{ is } = \frac{an}{m+n} x^{\frac{m+n}{n}},$$

III. Or, from Examples given in the converse of this *Rule*, (*Article* 16.) it appears, that, in *fluxional Expressions*, like  $\sqrt{x+x^2}\dot{x}$   
 $3\dot{x} +$

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$3x+6xx$ , where the fluxionary Part is in any invariable Ratio to the *Fluxion* of the Quantity under the Vinculum; the *Fluents* of such Expressions may be found in a different Manner; *viz.* by multiplying the whole Expression by the Root or Quantity under the Vinculum; and dividing the Product by the *Fluxion* of the said Root drawn into the Index of the Power added to 1.

Thus, the *Fluent* of  $x+x^2$   $\times$   $3x+6xx$  is=

$$\frac{x+x^2 \times 3x+6xx \times x+x^2}{x+2xx \times 2+1}$$

$$\frac{x+x^2 \times 3x+6xx \times x+x^2}{3x+6xx} = x+x^2 \times x+x^2$$

$$= x+x^3; \text{ and the } \textit{Fluent} \text{ of } \frac{-2x}{a+x^3}, \text{ or } -$$

$$a+x)^{-3} \times 2x \text{ is } = \frac{-a+x)^{-3} \times 2x \times a+x}{x \times -3+1}$$

$$= a+x)^{-3} \times a+x = a+x)^{-2} = \frac{1}{a+x^2}.$$

R U L E IV.

112. To find the *Fluent* of a fluxional Expression consisting of different fluxionary Terms connected together by the Signs + and -.

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FIND the separate Fluents of the different Terms by the preceding *Rules*; which connected together by the Signs of their respective *Fluxions*, will be the *Fluent* of the Expression required.

Thus, the *Fluent* of  $a\dot{x} + 2y\dot{y} - \dot{z}$  is  $= ax + y^2 - z$ ; the *Fluent* of  $\dot{x} - a^2\dot{y} + \dot{x}y + x\dot{y}$  is  $= x - a^2y + xy$ ; and the *Fluent* of  $2ax\dot{x} + \dot{x} - \frac{xy - x\dot{y}}{y^2}$  is  $= ax^2 + x - \frac{x}{y}$ .

## RULE V.

113. To find the *Fluent* of a compounded fluxional Expression like  $\frac{b}{a+x}\dot{x}$ , or  $\overline{x-x^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}\dot{x}$ .

THROW the Expression into an infinite Series, as taught in the last Chapter; and find the *Fluent* of the Series by the foregoing *Rules*: and it will be the *Fluent* sought.

Thus, to find the *Fluent* of  $\frac{b}{a+x}\dot{x}$ ; I throw it into a Series; which (*Article* 99.) is  $= \frac{b}{a}\dot{x} - \frac{bx}{a^2}\dot{x} + \frac{bx^2}{a^3}\dot{x} - \frac{bx^3}{a^4}\dot{x} + \frac{bx^4}{a^5}\dot{x}$ , &c. and then find the *Fluent* of this Series; which (See *Art.* 110 and 112.) is  $= \frac{bx}{a} - bx^2$

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$\frac{bx^2}{2a^2} + \frac{bx^3}{3a^3} - \frac{bx^4}{4a^4} + \frac{bx^5}{5a^5}$ , &c. and this is the

Fluent of  $\frac{b}{a+x}x$  required. — And to find

the *Fluent* of  $x - x^{\frac{1}{2}} \dot{x}$ ; the Expression must be thrown into a Series, which (*Article* 98.)

is  $= x^{\frac{1}{2}} \dot{x} - \frac{1}{2} x^{\frac{1}{2}} \dot{x} - \frac{1}{8} x^{\frac{1}{2}} \dot{x} - \frac{1}{16} x^{\frac{1}{2}} \dot{x}$ ,

&c. and the *Fluent* of this Series (*Art.* 110

and 112.) is  $= \frac{2}{3} x^{\frac{3}{2}} - \frac{1}{5} x^{\frac{5}{2}} - \frac{1}{28} x^{\frac{7}{2}} -$

$\frac{1}{72} x^{\frac{9}{2}}$ , &c. which is the *Fluent* of  $x - x^{\frac{1}{2}} \dot{x}$

required.

114. BUT, it is not always Necessary to throw an Expression like  $\frac{b\dot{x}}{a+x}$ , or  $\frac{\dot{x}}{a^2+x^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ ,

&c. into an *infinite Series* in order to find the *Fluent*, since it may often be obtained otherwise by means of *Hyperbolic Logarithms*.

For, (*Art.* 17.) the Fluxion of the Hyperbolic Logarithm of any Quantity, being equal to the Fluxion of that Quantity divided by the Quantity itself; therefore, the *Fluent* of

$b \times \frac{\dot{x}}{a+x}$  is  $= b \times$  Hyperbolic Logarithm of

$a+x$ ; the Fluxion of  $a+x$ , divided by  $a+x$ ,  
being



being  $= \frac{\dot{x}}{a+x}$ . And thus, the *Fluent* of

$\frac{\dot{x}}{\sqrt{a^2+x^2}}$  is = the Hyperbolic Logarithm of  $\sqrt{x + a^2 + x^2}$ ; for the Fluxion of  $\sqrt{x + a^2 + x^2}$ , being divided by  $x + \sqrt{a^2 + x^2}$ , gives

$\frac{\dot{x}}{\sqrt{a^2+x^2}}$ . So likewise, the *Fluent* of  $\frac{2a\dot{x}}{a^2-x^2}$

is = the Hyperbolic Logarithm of  $\frac{a+x}{a-x}$ ;

for the Fluxion of  $\frac{a+x}{a-x}$ , divided by  $\frac{a+x}{a-x}$ ,

is  $= \frac{2a\dot{x}}{a^2-x^2}$ . And, the *Fluent* of  $\frac{\dot{x}}{2ax+x^2}$

is = the Hyp. Log. of  $\sqrt{a+x+2ax+x^2}$ .

(See *Article 17.*) Also, the *Fluent* of

$\frac{2a\dot{x}}{x\sqrt{a^2+x^2}}$  is = the Hyperbolic Logarithm of

$\frac{a-\sqrt{a^2+x^2}}{a+\sqrt{a^2+x^2}}$ ; for, if by  $\frac{a-\sqrt{a^2+x^2}}{a+\sqrt{a^2+x^2}}$  we divide

its Fluxion, the Quotient will become =

$$\frac{2a\dot{x}}{x\sqrt{a^2+x^2}}.$$

## S C H O L I U M.

115. *THOUGH* the *Fluxion* of any *Fluent*, how much soever compounded it be with invariable Quantities, may be accurately found; yet, the *Fluents* of such compounded fluxional Expressions cannot always be had in finite Terms. — And, though no *Fluent* can have more than *one Fluxion*; yet a *Fluxion* may have an *infinite Number* of *Fluents*: Thus, for Example, the *Fluent* of  $\dot{x}$  may be either  $x$ , or  $x \pm a$ ; wherein  $a$  represents any invariable Quantity whatsoever: And, to find  $a$ , when it must be added to, or taken from, the *Fluent*  $x$ , is called *correcting* the *Fluent*. Now, to effect this, in any fluxional Equation; after having obtained the *Fluent* of each Side, by the foregoing *Rules*; make the variable Letter in either of them Vanish or equal to Nothing; and substitute for the variable Letter in the other, such a determinate or invariable Value as it is then known to have; or, for the variable Quantities, write such invariable or fixt Values as they are respectively known to have at any particular Point or Term. Then, if we subtract the Sides of this new Equation from the corresponding *Fluents* before found; these remain-  
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ing *Fluents*, will be *contemporary*, or always equal to each other; and consequently, we shall then have the *correct Fluent* sought determined. This Affair, may, perhaps, be better understood by giving the following Examples.

### Example 1.

*To find the Fluent of  $y = 2xx$ .*

The Fluent of this (by *Article 110.*) is  $y = x^2$ . Now, when  $y = 0$ , if  $x = 0$ ; then,  $y - 0 = x^2 - 0$ , or  $y = x^2$ ; and therefore, the Fluent first found, needs no Correction.

### Example 2.

*To find the Fluent of  $ax - 2xx = 2yy$*

The Fluent of this (*Article 110.*) is  $ax - x^2 = y^2$ . Now, to know whether this Fluent needs Correction; when  $x = 0$ , if  $y$  be likewise  $= 0$ ; then, it is evident, both Sides of the fluential Equation entirely vanish; and therefore, it needs no Correction. Or, when  $y = 0$ , if  $x$  be  $= a$ ; then, substituting 0 for  $y$ , and  $a$  for  $x$ , the Equation will become  $a^2 - a^2 = 0$ ; and therefore, neither on this supposition does the Fluent need Correction.

*Example 3.*

To find the Fluent of  $y = x^2 \dot{x}$ .

The Fluent of this (*Article 110.*) is  $y = \frac{1}{3} x^3$ . Now, if  $x = a$  when  $y = 0$ ; then, by writing in this Fluent, 0 for  $y$ , and  $a$  for  $x$ , it will be  $0 = \frac{1}{3} a^3$ ; therefore  $\frac{1}{3} x^3$  is always  $\frac{1}{3} a^3$  more than  $y$ ; and consequently, the Fluent corrected is  $y = \frac{1}{3} x^3 - \frac{1}{3} a^3$ .

*Example 4.*

To find the Fluent of  $y = -\sqrt{a+x}^{-3} \times 2\dot{x}$ .

The Fluent of this (*Article 110.*) is  $y = \frac{-\sqrt{a+x}^{-2} \times 2}{-2} = \sqrt{a+x}^{-2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{a+x}^2}$ . Now, when  $y=0$ , if  $x=0$ ; this Fluent will then become  $0 = \frac{1}{a^2}$ ; and therefore,  $y$  is always

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less than  $\frac{1}{a+x}z$ , by  $\frac{1}{a^2}$ : So that, the contemporary Fluents will be  $y = \frac{1}{a+x} - \frac{1}{a^2}$ .

## Example 5.

To find the Fluent of  $\dot{z} = a^2 \times \frac{\dot{x}}{a^2 + x^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ .

The Fluxion of the hyp. Log. of  $\sqrt{x+a^2+x^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$  is  $= \frac{\dot{x}}{a^2+x^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$  (Art. 17. or 114.) therefore,

the Fluent of  $\dot{z} = a^2 \times \frac{\dot{x}}{a^2+x^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ , is  $z = a^2 \times$

hyp. Log. of  $\sqrt{x+a^2+x^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ . Now, when

$z = 0$ , if  $x$  be likewise  $= 0$ , this Fluent will then become  $0 = a^2 \times \text{hyp. Log. of } a$ ; which subtracted from the said Fluent, makes the correct Fluent, or true Value of  $z = a^2 \times \text{hyp.}$

Log. of  $\sqrt{x+a^2+x^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} - a^2 \times \text{hyp. Log. of } a$  (which by the Nature of Logarithms is)  $=$

$a^2 \times \text{hyp. Log. of } \frac{\sqrt{x+a^2+x^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}}{a}$ .

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*Example 6.*

*To find the correct Fluent of  $ax - bx^2 = yy$ .*

The Fluent of this (*Art.* 110.) is  $ax - \frac{1}{2}bx^2 = \frac{1}{2}y^2$ . Now, if  $x=c$  when  $y=d$ ; then, substituting  $c$  for  $x$  and  $d$  for  $y$ , the Equation will be  $ac - \frac{1}{2}bc^2 = \frac{1}{2}d^2$ ; and therefore, by subtracting the corresponding Sides of this Equation from the above, we have the correct or contemporary Fluents  $ax - \frac{1}{2}bx^2 - ac + \frac{1}{2}bc^2 = \frac{1}{2}y^2 - \frac{1}{2}d^2$ .

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## CHAP. III.

*Of finding the Length of a Curve Line.*

Fig. 1.

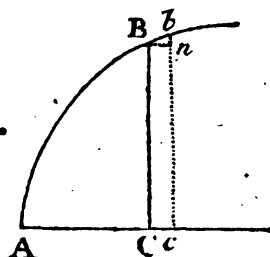
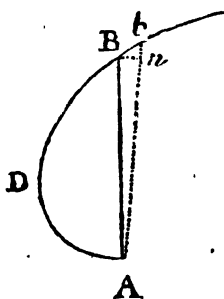


Fig. 2.



116 **I**N Curves referred to an Axis, (*Fig. 1.*) let  $bc$  be supposed indefinitely near and parallel to the Ordinate  $BC$ , and  $Bn$  equal and parallel to  $Cc$  the Increment of the Absciss  $AC$ . And, in Curves referred to a fixt or central Point, (*Fig. 2.*) let  $ba$  be  
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supposed indefinitely near to BA, and the indefinitely little circular Arch Bn be described with the Ordinate or Radius AB. Put AC (*Fig. 1.*) =  $x$ , CB =  $y$ , Curve AB =  $z$ ; Bn =  $x'$ , nb =  $y'$ , and Bb =  $z'$ : then, (the Increment Bb being considered as a little right Line,)

by 47 E. 1.  $Bb = \sqrt{Bn^2 + nb^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ , i. e.  $z' = \sqrt{x'^2 + y'^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ , or (*Art. 6.*)  $\dot{z} = \sqrt{\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ . Put the Ordinate AB (*Fig. 2.*) =  $y$ , Curve ADB =  $z$ ; Bn =  $x'$ , nb =  $y'$ , and Bb =  $z'$ : then, (because Bb may be considered as an indefinitely small right Line, and Bn as a little right Line perpendicular to Ab,) as before,  $z' = \sqrt{x'^2 + y'^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ , or  $\dot{z} = \sqrt{\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ : And this is a general Expression for the *Fluxion* of the Length of any Curve-Line whatsoever \*. Now, by Help of the Equation or Properties of the given Curve whose Length is required, we may find the Value of  $\dot{x}^2$  in Terms of  $\dot{y}^2$ , or of  $\dot{y}^2$  in Terms of  $\dot{x}^2$ ; and then, by Substitution,  $\dot{x}^2$  or  $\dot{y}^2$  in this general Expression, will be exterminated: and, by finding the *Fluent* of the resulting Equation, we shall have the Value of  $z$ , or the Length of the Curve-Line required.

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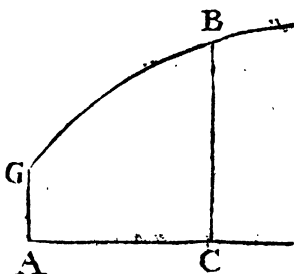
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\* The same Expression may be derived without the Help of *Increments*, from *Art. 37.* and 53.



## EXAMPLE I.

117. To find the Length of the Curve  $GB=x$ ; whose Equation (putting the given Line  $AG=\frac{2}{3}a$ ,  $AC=x$ , and  $CB=y$ ,) is  $2 \times \overline{a^2+x^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} = 3a^2y$ .



THE Fluxion of this Equation (*Art. 16.*) is  $3 \times \overline{a^2+x^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} \times 2x\dot{x} = 3a^2\dot{y}$ ; therefore,

$$\dot{y} = \frac{2x\dot{x}}{3a^2} \times 3 \times \overline{a^2+x^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{2x\dot{x}}{a^2} \times \overline{a^2+x^2}^{\frac{1}{2}},$$

$$\text{and } \dot{y}^2 = \frac{4x^2\dot{x}^2}{a^4} \overline{a^2+x^2} = \frac{4a^2x^2\dot{x}^2 + 4x^4\dot{x}^2}{a^4};$$

which substituted for  $\dot{y}^2$ , makes  $\dot{z} = \overline{x^2+y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$

$$(\text{Art. 116.}) = \frac{a^4\dot{x}^2 + 4a^2x^2\dot{x}^2 + 4x^4\dot{x}^2}{a^4}^{\frac{1}{2}} =$$

$$\frac{a^2\dot{x} + 2x^2\dot{x}}{a^2} = \text{the Fluxion of the Curve GB;}$$

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whose

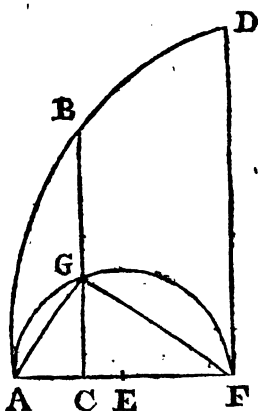
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whose *Fluent* (*Art.* 110.) is  $z = \frac{a^2x + \frac{2}{3}x^3}{a^2} =$

$x + \frac{2x^3}{3a^2} =$  the Length of the Curve GB required.

EXAMPLE II.

118. *To find the Length of the common Cycloid\*.*



Put EA or EF, the Radius of the generating Circle,  $=a$ , Absciss AC  $=x$ , Ordinate CB  $=y$ , CG  $=s$ , and Arch AB  $=z$ , then

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\* See the Generation of this Curve, *Art.* 48. *Note.*

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then (as may be found in *Art.* 48.)  $\dot{y} =$

$$\frac{2a-x}{s} \dot{x}, \text{ and therefore } \dot{y}^2 = \frac{(2a-x)^2}{s^2} \dot{x}^2;$$

which substituted for  $\dot{y}^2$ , makes the general Expression for the *Fluxion* of the Curve

$$\begin{aligned} (\text{Art. 116.}) \dot{z} = \sqrt{\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} &= \dot{x}^2 + \frac{(2a-x)^2}{s^2} \dot{x}^2^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{s^2 \dot{x}^2 + 4a^2 \dot{x}^2 - 4ax \dot{x}^2 + x^2 \dot{x}^2}{s^2}}^{\frac{1}{2}}, \text{ i.e. (because} \end{aligned}$$

by the Property of Circles  $\overline{GC}^2 = AC \times CF$ ,

$$\text{or } s^2 = 2ax - x^2,) \dot{z} = \frac{(4a^2 \dot{x}^2 - 2ax \dot{x}^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}}{2ax - x^2} =$$

$$\frac{(2ax \dot{x}^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}}{x} = 2a^{\frac{1}{2}} \times x^{-\frac{1}{2}} \dot{x}; \text{ and the } \textit{Fluent} \text{ of this}$$

$$(\text{by } \textit{Art. 110.}) \text{ is } z = 2a^{\frac{1}{2}} \times 2x^{\frac{1}{2}} = 2 \times \sqrt{2ax}^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

= twice the Chord AG: (for, the Triangles FAG and GAC being similar, FA : AG ::

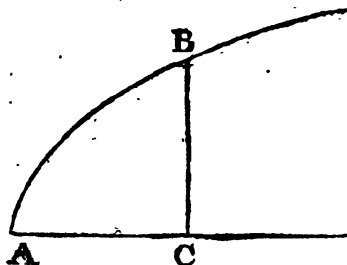
GA : AC, or  $\overline{FA \times AC}^{\frac{1}{2}} = AG$ , i.e.  $\sqrt{2ax}^{\frac{1}{2}}$

= AG.) Whence, (by writing 2a for x,) the Length of the Semi-Cycloid AD, ap-

pears to be equal to twice the Diameter AF of its generating Semi-circle.

## EXAMPLE III.

119. To find the Length of the common Parabola.



Put the Parameter  $= a$ , Absciss  $AC = x$ , Ordinate  $CB = y$ , and Curve  $AB = z$ ; then

(*Art.* 41.)  $\dot{x} = \frac{2y\dot{y}}{a}$ , and therefore  $\dot{x}^2 =$

$\frac{4y^2\dot{y}^2}{a^2}$ ; which substituted for  $\dot{x}^2$ , makes  $\dot{z} =$

$\sqrt{\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$  (the general Expression for the Fluxion of the Length of the Curve, *Art.* 116.)

$= \sqrt{\frac{4y^2\dot{y}^2}{a^2} + \dot{y}^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{\dot{y}}{a} \sqrt{a^2 + 4y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ ; which

thrown into an infinite Series, is  $\frac{\dot{y}}{a} \times a + \frac{2y^2}{a}$

$= \frac{2y^4}{a^3} + \frac{4y^6}{a^5} - \&c$ , i. e.  $\dot{z} = \dot{y} + \frac{2y^2\dot{y}}{a^2}$

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$-\frac{2y^4\dot{y}}{a^4} + \frac{4y^6\dot{y}}{a^6} - \&c.$  And the *Fluent* of

this Series (*Art.* 110.) is  $z = y + \frac{2y^3}{3a^2} - \frac{2y^5}{5a^4}$

$+ \frac{4y^7}{7a^6} - \&c.$  = the Length of the Curve

AB required.

Or thus. The above  $z = \frac{y}{a} \times \overline{a^2 + 4y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$  is

$$= \frac{y \times \overline{a^2 + 4y^2}}{a \times \overline{a^2 + 4y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}} = \frac{a^2 y \dot{y} + 4y^3 \dot{y}}{a \times \overline{a^2 y^2 + 4y^4}^{\frac{1}{2}}} = \frac{\frac{1}{2} a^2 y \dot{y} + 4y^3 \dot{y}}{a \times \overline{a^2 y^2 + 4y^4}^{\frac{1}{2}}}$$

$$+ \frac{\frac{1}{2} a^2 \dot{y}}{a \times \overline{a^2 + 4y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}} = \frac{1}{a} \times \overline{a^2 y^2 + 4y^4}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \times \frac{1}{2} a^2 y \dot{y} + 4y^3 \dot{y}$$

$+ \frac{1}{2} a \times \frac{\dot{y}}{\overline{\frac{1}{2} a^2 + y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}}$ . Now (by *Art.* 111.) the

*Fluent* of the first of these two Terms is

$$= \frac{1}{2a} \times \overline{a^2 y^2 + 4y^4}^{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{y}{a} \times \overline{\frac{1}{2} a^2 + y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}; \text{ and}$$

the *Fluent* of the last of the said two Terms

(by *Art.* 114.) is  $= \frac{1}{2} a \times \text{hyp. Log. of}$

$$y + \overline{\frac{1}{2} a^2 + y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}; \text{ therefore } z = \frac{y}{a} \times \overline{\frac{1}{2} a^2 + y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} +$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} a \times \text{hyp. Log. of } y + \overline{\frac{1}{2} a^2 + y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}: \text{ But,}$$

since

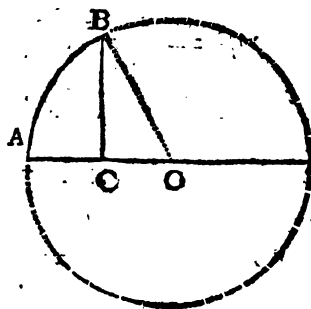
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since when  $z$  and  $y$  vanish or become  $= 0$ ,  
(as at the Vertex A,) this Fluent becomes  $=$   
 $\frac{1}{2}a \times \text{hyp. Log. of } \frac{1}{2}a$ ; therefore the said  
Fluent being corrected (*Art. 115. Ex. 5.*)  
makes the true Value of  $z$  or the Length of  
the Curve  $AB = \frac{y}{a} \times \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}a^2 + y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} + \frac{1}{2}a \times \text{hyp.}$

Log. of  $y + \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}a^2 + y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} - \frac{1}{2}a \times \text{hyp. Log. of}$   
 $\frac{1}{2}a = \frac{y}{a} \times \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}a^2 + y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} + \frac{1}{2}a \times \text{hyp. Log. of}$   
 $\frac{y + \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}a^2 + y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}}{\frac{1}{2}a}$ , by the Nature of Logarithms.

## EXAMPLE IV.

120. To find the Length of any Arch of a  
Circle; and of its whole Circumference.



Put the Radius  $OA = a$ , Absciss  $AC = x$ , Or-  
dinate  $CB = y$ , Arch  $AB = z$ : then (*Art. 40.*)  
 $z =$

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$$\dot{x} = \frac{y\dot{y}}{a-x} = (\text{because } a-x = CO =$$

$$\overline{OB^2 - BC^2})^{\frac{1}{2}} = \overline{a^2 - y^2})^{\frac{1}{2}},) \frac{y\dot{y}}{a^2 - y^2}; \text{ there-}$$

$$\text{fore } \dot{x}^2 = \frac{y^2 \dot{y}^2}{a^2 - y^2}; \text{ which substituted for } \dot{x}^2,$$

makes  $\dot{z} = \overline{x^2 + y^2})^{\frac{1}{2}}$  (the general Expression for the *Fluxion* of the Length of the Curve,

$$\text{Art. 116.}) = \overline{\frac{y^2 \dot{y}^2}{a^2 - y^2} + \dot{y}^2})^{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{a\dot{y}}{a^2 - y^2} =$$

$a\dot{y} \times \overline{a^2 - y^2})^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ ; which thrown into an in-

finite Series, is  $\dot{z} = a\dot{y} \times \frac{1}{a} + \frac{y^2}{2a^3} + \frac{3y^4}{8a^5} +$

$$\frac{15y^6}{48a^7} + \frac{105y^8}{384a^9} + \frac{945y^{10}}{3840a^{11}} + \frac{10395y^{12}}{46080a^{13}} +$$

$$\frac{135135y^{14}}{645120a^{15}} + \&c. = \dot{y} + \frac{y^2 \dot{y}}{2a^2} + \frac{3y^4 \dot{y}}{8a^4} +$$

$$\frac{15y^6 \dot{y}}{48a^6} + \frac{105y^8 \dot{y}}{384a^8} + \frac{945y^{10} \dot{y}}{3840a^{10}} + \frac{10395y^{12} \dot{y}}{46080a^{12}} +$$

$$\frac{135135y^{14} \dot{y}}{645120a^{14}} + \&c. \text{ And the } \textit{Fluent} \text{ of this}$$

Series, (*Art. 110.*) is  $z = y + \frac{y^3}{6a^2} +$

$$\frac{3y^5}{40a^4}$$

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$$\frac{3y^5}{40a^4} + \frac{15y^7}{336a^6} + \frac{105y^9}{3456a^8} + \frac{945y^{11}}{42240a^{10}} +$$

$$\frac{10395y^{13}}{599040a^{12}} + \frac{135135y^{15}}{9676800a^{14}} + \&c. = \text{the}$$

Length of the Arch AB.

Now, if we suppose the Radius OA==*a*  
 ==1, and the  $\angle AOB=30^\circ$ . Then (because  
 the Sine of any Arch is equal to half the  
 Chord of twice that Arch, and the Chord  
 of  $60^\circ$ . is equal to the Radius,) the Sine,  
 or Ordinate CB==*y*, will be == $\frac{1}{2}$ ; and there-  
 fore, the Terms of the above *Fluent* re-  
 duced into Decimal Fractions, and placed  
 under one another, will stand thus; *viz.*

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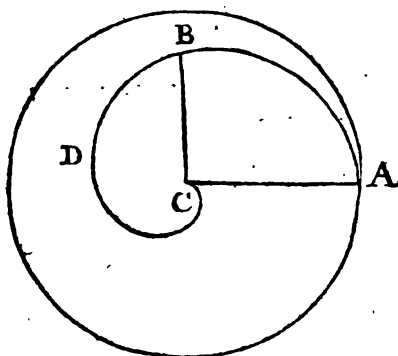
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 is 1: And therefore 3.141592  $\mathcal{C}$ . = the Periphery of a Circle whose Diameter  
 is 1.

EXAMPLE V.

121. To find the Length of any Arch of Archimedes's Spiral\*.



PUT CA the Radius of the generating Circle  $= b$ , and the Circumference of it  $= a$ : also, put the Ordinate CB  $= y$ , and the Length of the required Arch CDB  $= z$ ; and a circular Arch, whose Radius is CB,  $= x$ . Then, (as was found in *Art.* 54.)

$$\dot{x} = \frac{ay\dot{y}}{b^2}; \text{ and therefore } \dot{x}^2 = \frac{a^2y^2\dot{y}^2}{b^4}; \text{ which}$$

substituted for  $\dot{x}^2$ , makes the general Expression for the *Fluxion* of the Curve, *viz.*

$$\dot{z} =$$

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\* See how this Curve is generated, *Art.* 54. *Note.*

$$\begin{aligned}
 z &= \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \quad (\text{Art. 116.}) = \frac{a^2 y^2 y^2 + y^2}{b^4 + y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} = \\
 \frac{y}{b^2} \times \sqrt{a^2 y^2 + b^4}^{\frac{1}{2}} &= \frac{y \times a^2 y^2 + b^4}{b^2 \times a^2 y^2 + b^4}^{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{a^2 y^3 y + b^4 y y}{b^2 \times a^2 y^4 + b^4 y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} \\
 &= \frac{a^2 y^3 y + \frac{1}{2} b^4 y y}{b^2 \times a^2 y^4 + b^4 y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} + \frac{\frac{1}{2} b^4 y}{b^2 \times a^2 y^2 + b^4}^{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{b^2} \times \\
 \sqrt{a^2 y^4 + b^4 y^2}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \times a^2 y^3 y + \frac{1}{2} b^4 y y &+ \frac{b^2}{2a} \times \frac{ay}{a^2 y^2 + b^4}^{\frac{1}{2}}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Now, the *Fluent* of the first of these two

Terms is found by *Art. 111.*  $= \frac{1}{2b^2} \times$

$\sqrt{a^2 y^4 + b^4 y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ ; and the *Fluent* of the second is

found by *Art. 114.*  $= \frac{b^2}{2a} \times \text{hyp. Log. of}$

$\frac{ay + \sqrt{a^2 y^2 + b^4}}{a^2 y^2 + b^4}$ : therefore  $z = \frac{1}{2b^2} \times$

$\sqrt{a^2 y^4 + b^4 y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} + \frac{b^2}{2a} \times \text{hyp. Log. of}$

$\frac{ay + \sqrt{a^2 y^2 + b^4}}{a^2 y^2 + b^4}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ : but when  $z$  and  $y$  are  $= 0$ ,

this Equation becomes  $0 = \frac{b^2}{2a} \times \text{hyp. Log.}$

of  $b^2$ ; and therefore, the *Fluent* corrected,

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(*Art.* 115.) makes the true Value of  $z =$

$$\frac{1}{2b^2} \times \overline{a^2y^4 + b^4y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} + \frac{b^2}{2a} \times \text{hyp. Log. of}$$

$$\overline{ay + a^2y^2 + b^4}^{\frac{1}{2}} - \frac{b^2}{2a} \times \text{hyp. Log. of } b^2 = (\text{by}$$

the Nature of Logarithms; the Difference of the Logarithms of any two Numbers being equal to the Logarithm of their Quotient,)

$$\frac{1}{2b^2} \times \overline{a^2y^4 + b^4y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} + \frac{b^2}{2a} \times \text{hyp. Log. of}$$

$$\frac{\overline{ay + a^2y^2 + b^4}^{\frac{1}{2}}}{b^2} = \text{the Length of the Arch}$$

CDB required: And therefore, by substituting the Radius  $b$  for the Ordinate  $y$ , we shall have the Length of the whole Spiral CDBA

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times \overline{a^2 + b^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} + \frac{b^2}{2a} \times \text{hyp. Log. of}$$

$$\frac{a + \overline{a^2 + b^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}}{b}.$$

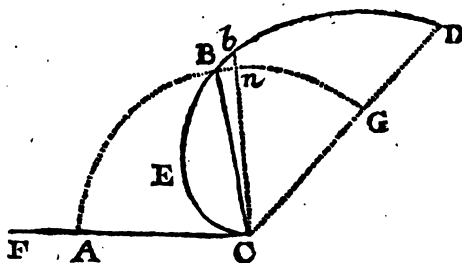
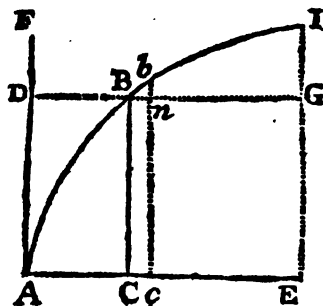
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*Of finding the Areas of Curve-lined Spaces.*



122. **I**N Curves whose Ordinates are referred to an Axis, (*Fig. 1.*) let  $bc$  be conceived indefinitely near and parallel to the perpendicular Ordinate  $BC$ , and  $Bn$  equal and parallel to  $Cc$  the Increment of the Absciss  $AC$ : Then, because  $bn$  bears no assignable Ratio to  $BC$ ,  $bc$  may be taken as equal to  $BC$  or  $nc$ ; and the Trapezium  $BCcb$

as equal to the Parallelogram  $BCcn$ : But,  $BCcb$  is the *Moment* or *Increment* of the Curvilinear Space  $ABC$ ; *i. e.* (if we put  $AC=x$ ,  $CB=y$ , and  $Cc=x'$ ), the *Moment* or *Increment* of the Space  $ABC$  is  $=yx'$ ; and therefore (*Art. 6.*) the *Fluxion* of it is  $=y\dot{x}$ .—In like Manner, in *Spirals*, or those Curves whose Ordinates are referred to a fixt or central Point, (*Fig. 2.*) let  $bC$  be conceived indefinitely near to the Ordinate  $BC$ , and the little circular Arch  $Bn$  (whose Radius is  $CB$ ;) be supposed a little right Line perpendicular to  $BC$ : then,  $bn$  having less than any assignable Ratio to  $nC$ ,  $BCn$  may be considered as equal to  $BCb$  the *Moment* or *Increment* of the Curvilinear Space  $BECB$ ; *i. e.* (if we put  $CB=y$ , and  $Bn=x'$ ), the *Moment* or *Increment* of the Space  $CEBC$  is  $=\frac{1}{2}yx'$ , or its *Fluxion* (that is, the *Velocity* with which it flows)  $=\frac{1}{2}y\dot{x}$ .

123. Or, without introducing *Increments* or indefinitely small Quantities: Let the curvilinear Space  $AEI$  and Parallelogram  $AG$ , (*Fig. 1.*) be generated by the perpendicular and indefinite right Line  $AF$ , moving with a parallel Motion along the Axis  $AE$ : Then, it is evident, the curvilinear Space will flow *flow*<sub>er</sub>, or with a *less* Degree of Velocity, than

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than the Parallelogram, *before* the said generating Line arrives at the Term CB; and *afterwards*, *faster*, or with a *greater* Degree of Velocity; and therefore, *at* the said Term, they will flow with *one* and the *same* Degree of Velocity; that is, *at* the Term CB, the *Fluxions* of the curvilineal Space and Parallelogram will be *equal*: but, it is plain, the *Fluxion* of the Parallelogram, at the Term CB, is equal to DA or BC drawn into the *Fluxion* of AC; therefore, the *Fluxion* of the curvilineal Space ACB, is equal to the Ordinate BC drawn into the *Fluxion* of the Absciss AC; that is, (putting  $AC=x$ , and  $CB=y$ ,) the *Fluxion* of the curvilineal Space ACB is  $= yx$ .——In Fig. 2. let the curvilineal Space CEDC be generated by the variable right Line CF turning round the Center C; and, at the same Time, let the Sector CAGC be described by the Radius CA: then, it is plain, *before* the Line CF comes to be in the Situation CB, the spiral Space will increase *slower*, or flow with a *less* Degree of Velocity, than the circular Space or Sector CAG; and *afterwards*, *faster*, or with a *greater* Degree of Velocity; and therefore, *at* the Term CB, they will increase or flow with an *equal* Degree of Velocity: But, it is  
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evident, the Velocity with which the Sector enlarges, is equal to half its Radius drawn into the Velocity with which its Arch is described ; therefore, the Velocity with which the curvilinear Space CEBC is increased, at the Term CB, is equal to  $\frac{1}{2}$  CB drawn into the Velocity of the Point A or B moving along the Arch AG at the Point B ; that is, the *Fluxion* of the said curvilinear Space, is equal to  $\frac{1}{2}$  CB drawn into the *Fluxion* of the circular Arch AB ; or (putting the Ordinate CB= $y$ , and Arch AB= $x$ ,) the *Fluxion* of the curvilinear Space CEBC is =  $\frac{1}{2} y \dot{x}$  ; as before.

124. WHEREFORE, when the Curve is referred to an Axis (*Fig. 1.*) find the Value of  $y$  in Terms of  $x$ , by Help of the Equation of the given Curve, which multiply by  $\dot{x}$  ; or, find the Value of  $\dot{x}$  in Terms of  $y$ , which multiply by  $y$  ; then, the *Fluent* of the resulting fluxional Expression being found, will give the Area of the curvilinear Space ABC required. And, when the Curve is referred to a fixt or central Point C, (*Fig. 2.*) find the Value of  $\dot{x}$  in Terms of  $y$ , from the Properties of the given Curve ; then multiply this Value of  $\dot{x}$  by  $\frac{1}{2} y$ , and find the *Fluent* ;  
and

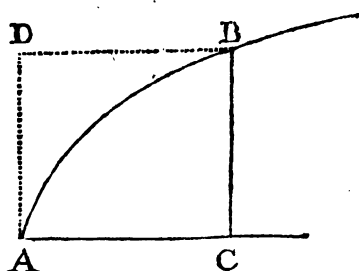


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and it will give the Area of the Space required.

## EXAMPLE I.

125. To find the Area of the common parabolic Space ABCA.



PUT  $AC=x$ ,  $CB=y$ , and the Parameter  $=1$ . Then, by the Nature of the Curve,  $x=y^2$ , or  $x^{\frac{1}{2}}=y$ ; therefore  $y\dot{x}$  (the *Fluxion* of the Area, *Art.* 123.)  $=x^{\frac{1}{2}}\dot{x}$ ; the *Fluent* of which, (*Art.* 110.) is  $=\frac{2}{3}x^{\frac{3}{2}}$  (by substituting  $y$  for its Value  $x^{\frac{1}{2}}$ ),  $\frac{2}{3}xy =$  the Area ABC required, So that the Area of every common Parabolical Space ABCA, is always equal to two-third-Parts of its circumscribing Parallelogram ADBC.

Or thus. The *Fluxion* of the above Equation of the Curve, viz. of  $x=y^2$ , is  $\dot{x}=2y\dot{y}$ ;

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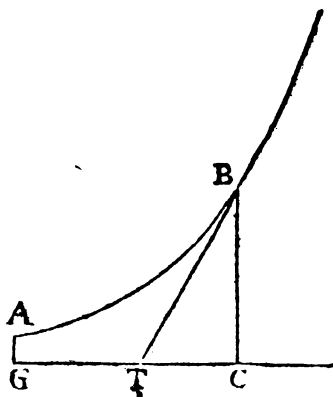
which

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which multiplied by  $y$ , makes the *Fluxion* of the Area  $ABC = y\dot{x}$  (*Art.* 123.)  $= 2y^2\dot{y}$ ; the *Fluent* of which (*Art.* 110.) is  $= \frac{2}{3}y^3 =$  (by writing  $x$  for  $y^2$ .)  $\frac{2}{3}xy$ ; as before.

EXAMPLE II.

126. To find the Area of the Space  $ABCG$ ; the Property of the Curve  $AB$  being such, that its Subtangent  $CT$  is invariable, or always of the same Value. (*See Art.* 78.)



PUT the given Subtangent  $CT = z$ ,  $GA = b$ ,  $GC = x$ , and  $CB = y$ . Then,

(*See Art.* 37.)  $a = \frac{xy}{y}$ ; therefore  $\dot{x} =$

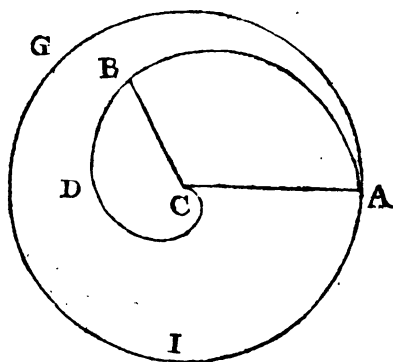
$$\frac{ay}{y};$$

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$\frac{ay}{y}$ ; which multiplied by  $y$ , makes the *Fluxion* of the Space, viz.  $y\dot{x}$  (*Art.* 123.)  $= ay$ ; and the *Fluent* of this (*Art.* 108.) is  $= ay$ ; but, when the Area of the Space is  $= 0$ , or  $y = b$ , this Expression for the *Fluent* becomes  $= ab$ ; and therefore, (*Art.* 115.) the *Fluent* corrected, is  $ay - ab =$  the Area of the Space ABCG required.

## EXAMPLE III.

127. To find the Area of the Space CDBC; the Curve CDBA being the Spiral of Archimedes\*.



PUT the Circumference of the generating Circle AIGA  $= a$ , and its Radius CA  $= b$ ;  
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also,

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\* See the Generation of this Curve, *Art.* 54. *Note.*

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also, put the Ordinate  $CB=y$ . Now, (as

was found in *Art.* 54.)  $\dot{x} = \frac{ay\dot{y}}{b^2}$ ; which

therefore being multiplied by  $\frac{1}{2}y$ , makes the *Fluxion* of the Space, *viz.*  $\frac{1}{2}y\dot{x}$  (*Art.* 123.) =

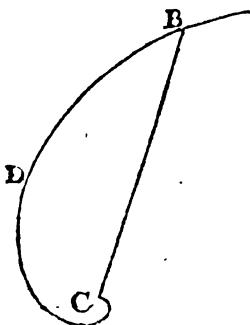
$\frac{ay\dot{y}}{b^2} \times \frac{1}{2}y = \frac{ay^2\dot{y}}{2b^2}$ ; the *Fluent* of which,

(*Art.* 110.) is =  $\frac{ay^3}{6b^2}$  = the Area of the

Space CDBC required: And therefore, by substituting  $b$  for  $y$ , we have the Area of the whole spiral Space CDBAC =  $\frac{1}{6}ab$ ; which, because the Area of a Circle is equal to its Periphery drawn into half the Radius, is =  $\frac{1}{6}$  of the Area of the generating Circle.

EXAMPLE IV.

128. *To find the Area of the Space CDBC; the Curve CDB being the Logarithmic Spiral.*  
(See *Art.* 55. and 83.)



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PUT the Ordinate  $CB=y$ , and the Length of the Curve  $CDB=z$ ; and let two given Quantities,  $a$  and  $b$ , be to each other in the Ratio of  $y$  to  $z$ . Then, (as was found

in *Art.* 55.)  $\dot{y} = \frac{a\dot{x}}{\sqrt{b^2-a^2}}$ ; therefore  $\dot{x} =$

$\frac{\sqrt{b^2-a^2}}{a} \dot{y}$ , which multiplied by  $\frac{1}{2}y$ , makes

$\frac{1}{2}y\dot{x}$  (the general Expression for the *Fluxion* of the Area, *Art.* 123.)  $= \frac{\sqrt{b^2-a^2}}{2a} yy\dot{y}$ ; the

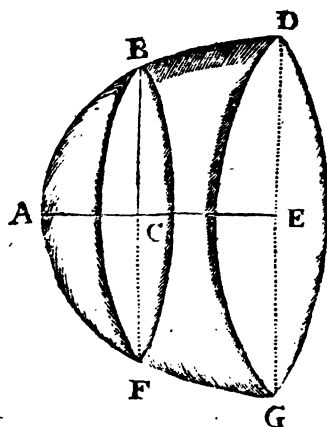
*Fluent* of which (*Art.* 110.) is  $= \frac{\sqrt{b^2-a^2}}{4a}$

$\times y^2$  = the Area of the Space  $CDBC$  required.

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*Of finding the convex Superficies of Solids.*



129. **L**ET the Solid ADG be conceived to be generated by an enlarging or variable Circle, (whose increasing Radius is the variable Ordinate of the Curve AD,) moving with a parallel Motion along the Axis from A to E : then will the Velocity with which its convex Superficies flows, be equal to the Periphery of the generating Circle drawn into the Velocity with which it moves along the Curve AD; that is, the *Fluxion* of the said Superficies, at any Term FB, will

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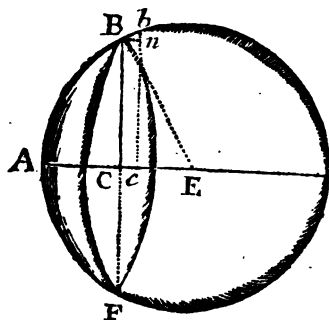
be equal to the Periphery of a Circle, whose Radius is the Ordinate CB, drawn into the *Fluxion* of the Curve at the Point B.—This follows from *Art.* 122. by considering the convex Superficies as always equal to the Area of a plane curvilinear *Fig.* whose Absciss is equal to the Curve AF, and Ordinate equal to the Circumference of the generating Circle BF, whose Radius is CB.

130. HENCE, if we put the Absciss  $AC = x$ , Ordinate  $CB = y$ , Curve  $AB = z$ , and  $c = 2 \times 3.14159 \text{ \&c.} =$  the Circumference of a Circle whose Radius is 1; then, because  $cy =$  the Circumference of a Circle whose Radius is the Ordinate CB, and (*Art.* 116.)  $\dot{z} = \sqrt{\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2}$ ; the general Expression for the *Fluxion* of the convex Superficies of any Solid ABF will be  $= cy\dot{z}$ , or  $cy \times \sqrt{\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2}$ ; out of which, by Help of the Equation of the given Curve AB,  $\dot{x}^2$  or  $\dot{y}^2$ , &c. may be exterminated; and then, the *Fluent* of the resulting Expression being found, will give the Area of the convex Superficies required: As in the following Examples.

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## EXAMPLE I.

131. To find the Superficies of a Sphere; or the convex Superficies of any Segment of it.



PUT Radius EA or EB  $= a$ , AC  $= x$ , CB  $= y$ , and AB  $= z$ . Let Bn  $= Cc$  express the very first *Moment* of the Increase of AC; nb, of CB; and Bb, of AB; *i. e.* let Bn  $= x'$ , nb  $= y'$ , and Bb  $= z'$ ; then, Bb being considered as a little right Line coinciding with a Tangent to the Point B, the Triangles ECB and bnB will be alike: (for  $\angle CBn = \angle EBb =$  a right Angle; therefore,  $\angle EBn$  being common,  $\angle CBE = \angle nBb$ ; and, the Angles at C and n being right, the Angles CEB and Bbn must be likewise equal;  
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*ergo*, &c.) Wherefore,  $EB : BC :: bB : Bn$ ,

i. e.  $a : y :: x' : x'$ ;  $\therefore x' = \frac{ax'}{y}$ , or (*Art. 6.*)

$\dot{z} = \frac{ax}{y}$ ; which substituted for  $\dot{z}$ , makes the

general Expression for the *Fluxion* of the convex Superficies, viz.  $cy\dot{z}$  (*Art. 130.*) =

$cy \times \frac{ax}{y} = cax$ ; the *Fluent* of which is =

$cax$  = the convex Superficies of the Segment ABF: And, if for  $x$  be substituted  $2a$ , we shall have  $2ca^2$  = the Superficies of the whole Sphere.

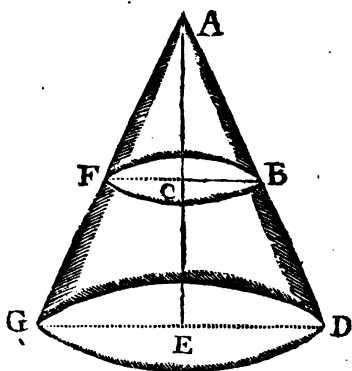
## COROLLARIES.

1. THE convex Superficies of any Segment of a Shere, is equal to the Periphery of a great Circle of that Sphere multiplied into the Altitude of the Segment.

2. THE whole Surface or Superficies of any Sphere, is equal to the Periphery of its greatest Circle multiplied into its Diameter.

## EXAMPLE II.

132. *To find the convex Superficies of the right Cone ADG, whose Altitude AE is given = a, and Base-diameter DG = b.*



PUT  $AC = x$ , and  $CB = y$ . By Sim.  $\Delta$ s,  
 $AE : ED :: AC : CB$ ; *i.e.*  $a : \frac{1}{2}b :: x : y$ ;

$\therefore x = \frac{2ay}{b}$ ; the *Fluxion* of which Equation

is  $\dot{x} = \frac{2a\dot{y}}{b}$ ;  $\therefore \dot{x}^2 = \frac{4a^2\dot{y}^2}{b^2}$ ; which substituted

for  $\dot{x}^2$ , makes the general Expression  
 for the *Fluxion* of the convex Superficies,  
*viz.*

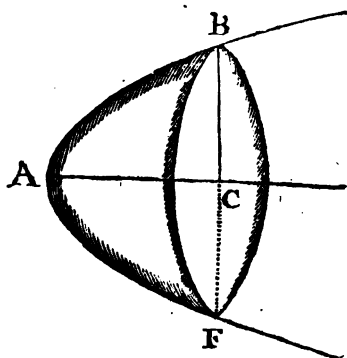
*viz.*  $cy \times \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$  (*Art.* 130.)  $= cy \times$   
 $\sqrt{\frac{4a^2y^2}{b^2} + y^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{c}{b} \times \sqrt{4a^2 + b^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} yy$ ; the *Flu-*  
*ent* of which is  $= \frac{c}{2b} \times \sqrt{4a^2 + b^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} y^2 = \frac{cy^2}{b}$   
 $\times \sqrt{a^2 + \frac{1}{4}b^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} =$  (because  $AD = \sqrt{AE^2 + ED^2}$ )  
 $= \sqrt{a^2 + \frac{1}{4}b^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}, \frac{cy^2}{b} \times AD =$  the convex Su-  
 perficies of the Cone ABF: And by writing  
 $\frac{1}{4}b$  for  $y$ , we have  $\frac{1}{4}cb \times DA =$  the convex  
 Superficies of the Cone ADG.

COROLLARY.

THE convex Superficies of any right  
 Cone, is equal to half the Circumference of  
 its Base multiplied into its slant Height.

EXAMPLE III.

133. To find the convex Superficies of the  
 Parabolic Conoid ABF.



PUT the Parameter of the Parabola  $= a$ ,  
 $AC = x$ , and  $CB = y$ . Then, by the Na-  
 ture of the Curve,  $ax = y^2$ ; the *Fluxion* of  
 which Equation is  $ax\dot{=}2y\dot{y}$ ; therefore,  $\dot{x} =$   
 $\frac{2y\dot{y}}{a}$ , and  $\dot{x}^2 = \frac{4y^2\dot{y}^2}{a^2}$ ; which substituted for  
 $\dot{x}^2$ , makes the general Expreffion for the  
*Fluxion* of the convex Superficies, *viz.*  $cy \times$   
 $\sqrt{\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$  (*Art.* 130.)  $= cy \times \sqrt{\frac{4y^2\dot{y}^2}{a^2} + \dot{y}^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} =$   
 $\frac{c}{a} \times \sqrt{4y^2 + a^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} y\dot{y}$ ; the *Fluent* of which,  
 (*Art.* 111.) is  $= \frac{c}{12a} \times \sqrt{4y^2 + a^2}^{\frac{3}{2}}$ : But, at  
 the Vertex A, where  $y$  vanishes, or where  
 $y=0$ ,



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the *Increment* of the variable Abscifs AC. Now, because the little Parallelogram BCcn is expressive of the *Increment* or *Moment* of the plane Fig. ABC, (*Art.* 122.) therefore, if the Solid ADG be conceived to be generated by the Revolution of the curvilineal plane Fig. AED round the Axis AE, the indefinitely little Cylinder generated by the said little Parallelogram will express the *Moment* or *Increment* of the Solid at the Term BF; and, because this *Moment* or *Increment* is equal to the Area of the Circle described by the Ordinate CB drawn into the *Increment* of the Abscifs AC, therefore (*Art.* 6.) the *Fluxion* of the Solid, at the Term BF, is equal to the Area of a Circle, whose Radius is the Ordinate CB, drawn into the *Fluxion* of the Abscifs AC.

135. Or, (without the Supposition of any indefinitely small Quantity.)—Let the Cylinder LM be generated by the parallel Motion of the Circle LK along the Line LN; and, at the same Time, the Solid ADG, by that of the concentric and variable Circle IH, which, at the Vertex A is supposed indefinitely small, and continually enlarges as it moves along the Curve AD. Then, it is plain, the Solid ADG will increase *flow*er,  
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or flow with a *less* Degree of Velocity, than the Cylinder LM, *before* the generating Circles arrive at the Term FB; and *afterwards*, *faster*, or with a *greater* Degree of Velocity: therefore, *at* the said Term, (where the two generating Circles become equal, or their Peripheries coincide with each other,) they will increase, or flow, with the *same* or an *equal* Degree of Velocity. But, it is evident, the Velocity with which the Cylinder flows, is equal to the Area of its generating Circle drawn into the Velocity with which it moves along the Line LN; that is, the *Fluxion* of the Cylinder, at the Term FB, is equal to the Area of a Circle whose Radius is CB, drawn into the *Fluxion* of the Line LF or AC: Therefore, the *Fluxion* of the Solid ADG, at the Term BF, is equal to the Area of a Circle, whose Radius is the Ordinate CB, drawn into the *Fluxion* of the Absciss AC, as before.

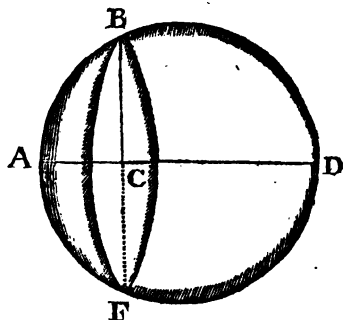
136. HENCE, if we put the Absciss  $AC = x$ , Ordinate  $CB = y$ , and  $c = 3.14159 \text{ \&c.} =$  the Semi-circumference of a Circle whose Radius is 1; then, the general Expression for the *Fluxion* of the solid Content, will be  $= cy^2 \dot{x}$ : out of which, by Help of the Equation of the given Curve,  $\dot{x}$  or  $y^2$  may be

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exterminated: and then, the *Fluent* of the resulting *fluxional* Expression being found, will give the Content of the Solid ABF required.

## EXAMPLE I.

137. To find the Content of a Sphere, or of any Segment of it.



PUT  $AC=x$ ,  $CB=y$ , and the Diameter  $AD=a$ ; then, by the Property of Circles,  $ax-x^2=y^2$ ; therefore, by writing  $ax-x^2$  for  $y^2$ , the general Expression for the *Fluxion* of the solid Content, viz.  $cy^2\dot{x}$  (*Art.* 136.) becomes  $= c\dot{x} \times \overline{ax-x^2} = cax\dot{x} - cx^2\dot{x}$ ;

the *Fluent* of which is  $= \frac{cax^2}{2} - \frac{cx^3}{3} =$

$\frac{3cax^2-2cx^3}{6} =$  the Content of the Segment

ABF:



ABF: And, if  $a$  be substituted for  $x$ , we shall have  $\frac{3ca^3 - 2ca^3}{6} = \frac{1}{2} ca^3 =$  the Content of the whole Sphere ABDF. Hence, because four Times the Area of a great Circle of the Sphere is  $= ca^2$ , and the Content of a Cylinder circumscribing the Sphere is  $= \frac{1}{2} ca^3$ , we have the following

## COROLLARY.

THE Content of any Sphere, is equal to four Times the Area of its greatest Circle multiplied into  $\frac{1}{4}$ <sup>th</sup> Part of its Axis; or, equal to two-third-Parts of its circumscribing Cylinder.

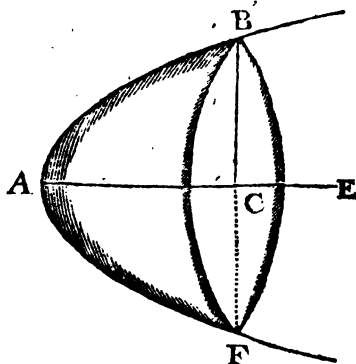
## EXAMPLE II.

138. *To find the Content of the Parabolic Conoid ABF, generated by the conic or common Semi-Parabolic Space ABC revolving round the Axis AE.*

PUT the Parameter  $= a$ ,  $AC = x$ , and  $CB = y$ ; then, by the Nature of the Curve,  $ax = y^2$ . Now, by substituting  $ax$  for  $y^2$ , we shall have the general Expression for the

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Fluxion



*Fluxion* of the solid Content, viz.  $cy^2\dot{x}$  (*Art.* 136.)  $= cax\dot{x}$ ; the *Fluent* of which is  $= \frac{1}{2}cax^2 =$  (by writing  $y^2$  for  $ax$ ,)  $\frac{1}{2}cxy^2 =$  the Content of the Parabolic Conoid ABF required.

Or thus. The *Fluxion* of the Equation of the Curve, viz. of  $ax=y^2$ , is  $a\dot{x}=2y\dot{y}$ ; therefore  $\dot{x}=\frac{2y\dot{y}}{a}$ ; which substituted for  $\dot{x}$ , makes the general Expression for the *Fluxion* of the solid Content, viz.  $cy^2\dot{x}$  (*Art.* 136.)  $= cy^2 \times \frac{2y\dot{y}}{a} = \frac{2cy^3\dot{y}}{a}$ ; the *Fluent* of which is  $= \frac{cy^4}{2a} =$  (by writing  $ax$  for  $y^2$ ,)  $\frac{1}{2}cxy^2 =$  the solid Content of the Conoid; as before.

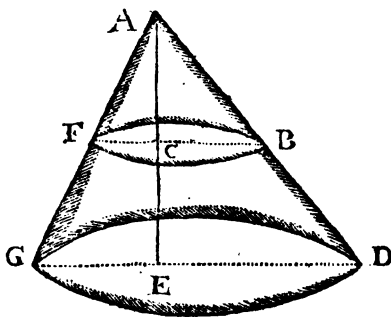
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COROLLARY.

THE Content of every common Parabolic Conoid, is equal  $\frac{1}{3}$  of its circumscribing Cylinder.

EXAMPLE III.

139. To find the Content of any Cone ADG whose Base is a Circle.



Put the given Altitude  $AE = a$ ; and Base-diameter  $GD = b$ . Let  $FB$  be parallel to  $GD$ ; and put  $AC = x$ , and  $c = .78539$  &c. Then, by Sim.  $\Delta$ s,  $AE : GD :: AC : FB$ ,  
i.e.  $a : b :: x : \frac{bx}{a} = FB$ ; therefore, the Area

of the Circle  $FB$  is  $= \left[ \frac{bx}{a} \right]^2 \times c = \frac{cb^2x^2}{a^2}$ ;

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which

which drawn into  $\dot{x}$ , is  $\frac{cb^2x^2\dot{x}}{a^2}$  = the *Fluxion* of the Content of the Cone at the Term FB, (*Art.* 135.) the *Fluent* of which is  $\frac{cb^2x^3}{3a^2}$  = the Content of the Cone AFB: And by substituting  $a$  for  $x$ , we have  $\frac{cb^2a^3}{3a^2} = \frac{1}{3}cb^2a$  = the Content of the Cone ADG required.

## C O R O L L A R Y.

THE solid Content of any Cone whose Base is a Circle, is equal to the Area of its Base multiplied into  $\frac{1}{3}$  of its perpendicular Altitude.

140. *N.B.* If instead of the Diameter, we put the Area of the Base =  $b$ , then (because similar plane Figures are as the Squares of their homologous Sides,) we shall have  $a^2$  :

$b :: x^2 : \frac{bx^2}{a^2}$  = the Area of the Section FB,

which drawn into  $\dot{x}$  is =  $\frac{bx^2\dot{x}}{a^2}$  = the *Fluxion* of the Cone AFB; the *Fluent* of which, gives the Content of the said Cone =  $\frac{1}{3}x \frac{bx^3}{a^2}$ : And

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by writing  $a$  for  $x$ , we have the Content of the whole Cone  $AGD = \frac{1}{3}ab$ . And, as  $b$  may here stand for the Area of the Base of any Pyramid, it follows, that, the solid Content of any Pyramid whatever, is = the Area of its Base multiplied into  $\frac{1}{3}$  of its perpendicular Altitude.

## EXAMPLE IV.

141. To find the Content of the Solid ABF, generated by the Cissoïdal Space ABC revolving round the Axis AE\*.

PUT the Axis  $AE=a$ , Absciss  $AC=x$ , and Ordinate  $CB=y$ ; then, (as was found in Art. 47.)  $x^3=ay^2-xy^2$ : Therefore  $y^2 =$

$\frac{x^3}{a-x}$ ; which substituted for  $y^2$ , makes the

general Expression for the Fluxion of the solid

Content, viz.  $cy^2\dot{x}$  (Art. 136.)  $= \frac{cx^3\dot{x}}{a-x} =$

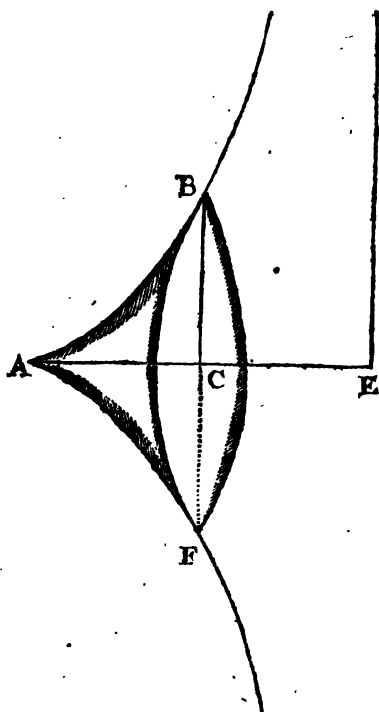
$\frac{-cx^3\dot{x}}{x-a} = -cx^2\dot{x} - cax\dot{x} - ca^2\dot{x} - \frac{ca^3\dot{x}}{x-a} =$

$-cx^2\dot{x} - cax\dot{x} - ca^2\dot{x} - ca^3 \times \frac{-\dot{x}}{a-x}$ ; the Flu-

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\* See how the Cissoïd is generated, Art. 47. Note.



ent of which, (because the *Fluxion* of the  
hyp. Log. of  $\overline{a-x}$  is  $\frac{-\dot{x}}{a-x}$ , *Art.* 17. or 114.)

$$\text{is} = -\frac{cx^3}{3} - \frac{cax^2}{2} - ca^2x - ca^3 \times \text{hyp.}$$

Log. of  $\overline{a-x}$ : But when  $x=0$ , (as at A,) this *Fluent* becomes  $= -ca^3 \times \text{hyp. Log. of } a$ : Therefore, the *Fluent corrected*  
(by

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(by *Art.* 115.) is  $= -\frac{cx^3}{3} - \frac{cax^2}{2} - ca^2x$

$- ca^3 \times \text{hyp. Log. of } \frac{a}{a-x} + ca^3 \times \text{hyp. Log. of } a$  (because the Difference of the Logarithms of any two Numbers is equal to the Logarithm of their Quotient,)  $\frac{2x^2+3ax+6a^2}{6}$

$x - cx + ca^3 \times \text{hyp. Log. of } \frac{a}{a-x} =$  the

Content of the Solid ABF required.

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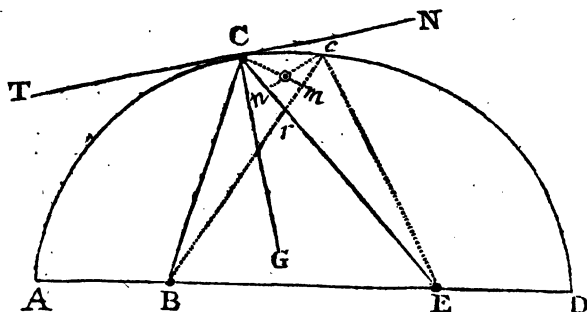


# APPENDIX.

## Miscellaneous Questions with their Answers.

### I.

*In an Ellipsis ACD, whose Foci are the Points B and E, if a right Line CG be drawn bisecting the Angle BCE; then will the said Line be perpendicular to the Tangent TCN. Quære the Demonstration?*



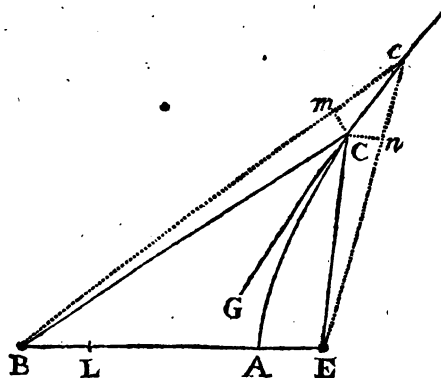
LET the Point  $c$  be supposed indefinitely  
near to  $C$ ; and with the Lines  $BC$  and  $Ec$ ,  
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as Radii, describe the Arches  $Cm$  and  $cn$ ; then, if we consider the said Arches as little right Lines perpendicular to  $Bc$  and  $EC$  respectively, (because by the Nature of the Curve the Sum. of the Lines  $BC$  and  $EC$  is always the same invariable Quantity, and therefore the Increment  $mc =$  the Decrement  $nC$ ;) the right-angled Triangles  $Cn\odot$  and  $cm\odot$  will be equal and similar, as will therefore the right-angled Triangles  $Cmr$  and  $cnr$ ; and therefore, if  $Cc$ , the Increment of the Curve  $AC$ , be suppos'd to coincide with the Tangent  $CN$ , the Angles  $rcC$  and  $rCc$  will be equal, *i. e.*  $\angle BCT = \angle ECN$ . Therefore, the right Line  $CG$ , which bisects the  $\angle BCE$ , makes the  $\angle GCT = \angle GCN =$  a right Angle. *Q. E. D.*

## II.

*In an Hyperbola  $AC$ , whose Focus is the Point  $E$ , and Transverse Diameter is  $LA = BA - AE$ ; the right Line  $GC$ , which bisects the Angle  $BCE$ , is a Tangent to the Curve at the Point  $C$ . Quære the Demonstration?*

SUPPOSE the Point  $c$  indefinitely near to  $C$ ; and describe the little Arches  $Cm$  and  $Cn$  with the Radii  $BC$  and  $EC$ . Now, because



by the Nature of the Curve the Difference of the Lines BC and EC is always the same invariable Quantity, (*viz.*  $= LA$ ,) the Increments  $mc$  and  $nc$  are equal: And therefore, if the Arches  $Cm$  and  $Cn$  be consider'd as little right Lines perpendicular to  $Bc$  and  $Ec$  respectively; and  $Cc$ , the Increment of the Curve AC, as coinciding with the Tangent; the little right-angled Triangles  $Cmc$  and  $Cnc$  will be equal and similar. Therefore, the right Line GC, bisecting the Angle BCE, is a Tangent to the Curve at the Point C. *Q. E. D.*

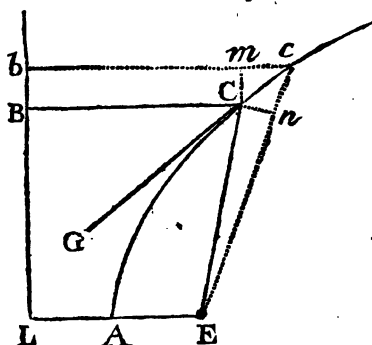
### III.

*In a Parabola AC, whose Focus is the Point E, if a right Line CB be drawn parallel to the Axis, and the Angle BCE be bisected*

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*by the right Line CG ; then will this Line  
be a Tangent to the Curve at the Point C.  
Quære the Demonstration?*

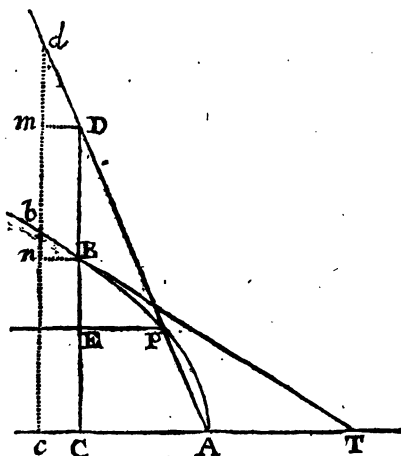


LET the indefinite right Line LB be perpendicular to LE, and  $LA = AE$ ; draw  $bC$  indefinitely near and parallel to BC, and  $Cm$  equal and parallel to  $Bb$ ; and with EC, as a Radius, describe the little Arch  $Cn$ . Now, because by the Nature of the Curve the Lines BC and EC are always equal to each other, the Increment  $mc =$  to the Increment  $nc$ ; and therefore, (the indefinitely small Arch  $Cn$  being consider'd as a little right Line perpendicular to  $Ec$ , and the Increment of the Curve,  $Cc$ , as coinciding with the Tangent,) the little right-angled Triangles  $Cmc$  and  $Cnc$  are equal and similar. Consequently, the right Line GC, which bisects the Angle BCE,

BCE, is a Tangent to the Curve at the Point C. Q. E. D.

IV.

*Quære the Nature of the Curve APB?—Supposing CE, the Distance of the parallel Lines AC and PE, as also the Angle CAD, to be given, and  $\overline{CE}^m \times \overline{CD}^n = \overline{CB}^{m+n}$ .*



Put  $CE = a$ , Absciss  $AC = x$ , Ordinate  $CB = y$ , and  $CD = z$ . Let  $cd$  be conceiv'd indefinitely near and parallel to  $CD$ ; and  $Dm$ ,  $Bn$ , equal and parallel to  $Cc$ ; and put  $nb = y'$ ,  $md = z'$ : And suppose  $BT$  a Tangent to the Curve at the Point B. Now, by  
Sim.

Sim.  $\Delta s$ ,  $DC : CA :: dm : mD$ , *i. e.*  $x : x :: x' : \frac{xz'}{z} = Dm$  or  $Bn$ ; and  $bn : nB :: BC : CT$ , *i. e.*

$y' : \frac{xz'}{z} :: y : \frac{xyz'}{zy} = CT$ ; or,  $\frac{xyz}{zy} = CT$ . But,

by the *Quest.*  $a^m x^n = y^{m+n}$ ; the *Fluxion* of which Equation is  $na^m x^{n-1} \dot{x} = \overline{m+n} y^{m+n-1} \dot{y}$ ;

$\therefore \dot{x} = \frac{\overline{m+n} y^{m+n-1} \dot{y}}{na^m x^{n-1}}$ ; which substituted for

$\dot{z}$ , makes the above Value of  $CT$  (*viz.*  $\frac{xyz}{zy}$ )  
 $= \frac{x \cdot \overline{m+n} y^{m+n-1} \dot{y}}{na^m x^{n-1}} = (\text{because } \frac{y^{m+n}}{a^m x^n} = 1,) \frac{\overline{m+n}}{n} x.$

Now, this is an *universal* Expression for the Subtangent of all possible Parabolas: Therefore, when  $m=n=1$ , the Subtangent will be  $= 2x$ ; and the Curve, the common or apollonian Parabola. *Q. E. I.*

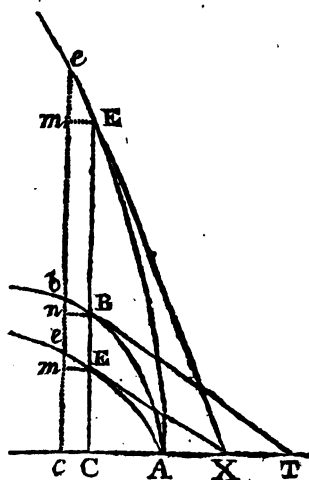
*Note.* Tho' this universal Expression for the Subtangent, seems to differ from that in *Art.* 42. yet it will be found to express the very same Thing, if we consider that the Parameter drawn into  $x$ , in the Equation of

the Curve there, is equal to  $a^{\frac{m}{n}} x$  here; for then,  $m$  there, will be equal to  $\frac{m+n}{n}$  here.

V.

***Let TB be a Tangent to the given Curve AB:***

Then, if another Curve AE be so drawn as that its Ordinate CE shall always be in a given Ratio to the corresponding Segment of the former Curve; I say, BT will be to TC as the corresponding Segment of the Curve AB is to the Subtangent CX. *Quære the Demonstration?*



Put  $CT=s$ ,  $TB=t$ ,  $CE=y$ ,  $AB=z$ :  
And let  $ce$  be suppos'd indefinitely near and  
parallel to  $CE$ ; and  $Em$ ,  $Bn$ , equal and pa-  
rallel to  $Cc$ ; *i. e.* let  $me=y'$ , and  $Bb=z'$ .

**Now,**

Now,  $BT : TC :: bB : Bn$ , i.e.  $t : s :: z' :$

$\frac{sz'}{t} = Bn$  or  $Em$ ; and  $em : mE :: EC : CX$ , i.e.  $y' :$

$\frac{sz'}{t} :: y : \frac{syx'}{ty'} = CX$ , or  $\frac{syx}{ty} = CX$ . Let

the given Ratio of  $EC$  to  $AB$  be as  $a$  to  $b$ ,

i.e.  $y : z :: a : b$ ,  $\therefore z = \frac{by}{a}$ ; which Equa-

tion put into *Fluxions*, is  $\dot{z} = \frac{b\dot{y}}{a}$ ; and this

substituted for  $\dot{z}$ , makes the above  $\frac{sy\dot{z}}{ty} = CX$

$= \frac{bsy}{at}$  (which, by writing  $z$  for its Value

$\frac{by}{a}$ , is)  $= \frac{sz}{t}$ ; therefore  $t : s :: z : CX$ , i.e.

$BT : TC :: AB : CX$ . Q. E. D.

## VI.

*If a Semicircle AB be rolled along upon an indefinite right Line BD until it measures out a Line equal to its Circumference; then, the Curve AD, described by the Point A, being the common Semi-cycloid, (Art. 48.) I say, the Curve EI, described by the Point E taken without the Circle, will be the contracted or curtate Semi-cycloid; and the Curve FK,*  
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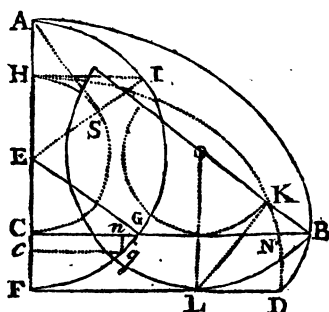


Circle are respectively equal, it is evident, that, the Distances from the Extremities of these Ordinates to the corresponding Points in the Curves, will be all equal to the Distance moved over by the common Center C; that is,  $sa = oe = rf = Cc$ ; each of the said Distances therefore is  $= BR = \text{Arch } bR$  by the Generation. Now, the Sectors  $Lce$  and  $Scg$ , or  $Qcf$  and  $Pcb$ , are equal and similar, and similar to the equal Sectors  $Nca$  and  $Rcb$ : Therefore,  $cg : cb :: gS : bR$ ; or, (if we put the Semicircle  $eg = a$ , Semicircle  $ab$  or Base  $BD = b$ ,) as  $a : b :: \text{Arch } gS : \text{Arch } bR :: \text{Arch } Eo : (BR \text{ or } oe; i. e. \text{ Semicircle } EG : GI :: \text{Arch } Eo : oe$ . Wherefore, the Curve  $EeI$  is the *curtate* Semi-cycloid.—And,  $cb : cb :: bP : bR$ ; or, (if we put the Semicircle  $fb = a$ , and Semicircle  $ab$  or Base  $BD = b$ ,) as  $a : b :: \text{Arch } bP : \text{Arch } bR :: \text{Arch } Fr : (BR \text{ or } rf; i. e. \text{ Semicircle } FH : HK :: \text{Arch } Fr : rf$ . Wherefore, the Curve  $FfK$  is the *inflected* Semi-cycloid. Q. E. D.

## VII.

*Let the Curve ABD be a given curtate Semi-cycloid, i. e. an exterior Semi-cycloid, or a Semi-cycloid the Circumference of whose*  
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*generating Semicircle AGF is greater than its Base FD. Quære the Point of Retrogression B; or the Point C in the Diameter AF, where the Ordinate CB is a Maximum, or the greatest possible? [See the preceding Prob.]*



Put the generating Semicircle  $AGF = a$ , Base  $FD = b$ , Radius  $EG = c$ ,  $EC = x$ , and Arch  $AG = z$ : And let  $cg$  be supposed indefinitely near and parallel to  $CG$ , and  $ng$  equal and parallel to  $Cc$ ; *i. e.* let  $ng = x'$ , and  $Gg = z'$ , Now, by 47E. 1.  $CG = \sqrt{c^2 - x^2}$ ; and, if the Increment  $Gg$  be supposed a little right Line perpendicular to the Radius  $EG$ , the  $\Delta$ s  $CGE$  and  $ngG$  will be similar; and therefore  $CG : GE :: ng : gG$ , *i. e.*  $\sqrt{c^2 - x^2} : c :: x' : z'$ :

$$c :: x' : z' = \frac{cx'}{c^2 - x^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}, \text{ or } \dot{z} = \frac{c\dot{x}}{c^2 - x^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

By the Nature of Cycloids,  $a : b :: z : \frac{bz}{a} =$

$$\text{GB}; \text{ therefore, } \text{CG} + \text{GB} = \sqrt{c^2 - x^2} + \frac{bz}{a}$$

$=$  a *Maximum* by the *Quest.* the *Fluxion* of

$$\text{which is } -\frac{x\dot{x}}{c^2 - x^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} + \frac{b\dot{z}}{a} = 0; \text{ whence } \dot{z} =$$

$$\frac{ax\dot{x}}{b \cdot c^2 - x^2}^{\frac{1}{2}} = (\text{because } \dot{z} \text{ by the above is } =)$$

$$\frac{cx'}{c^2 - x^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}; \text{ which Equation reduced, makes}$$

$$ax = bc, \text{ or } x = \frac{bc}{a} = \text{EC. } \mathcal{Q}. E. I.$$

#### OBSERVATION.

IF the concentric Semicircle HSC be drawn equal to the given Base FD; and the right Line HI be drawn perpendicular to the Diameter AF; then, when the Point I arrives at the Base FD, the Point A will be in the Point of Retrogression B. For,

If we draw the Line CN equal and parallel to the Base FD; then, by the last *Prob.*  
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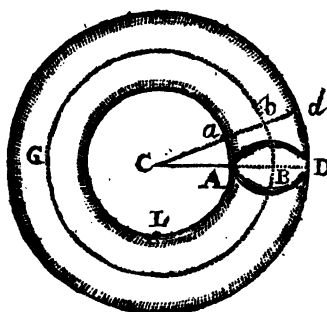
when the Point H generates the common Cycloid HKN, the Point A will describe the Curve in *Quest.* And, since by the above Solution,  $x = \frac{bc}{a}$ , which by Analogy is  $a :$

$b :: c : x$ , *i.e.* Semicircle AIF : (FD or) Semicircle HSC :: EF : EC; therefore, the Point of Retrogression B, will be in the Base CN, of the common Cycloid, produced: Consequently, if AS be drawn a Tangent to the Semicircle HSC; then, when the said Tangent coincides with the Base CN produced, the Point A will be in the Point of Retrogression B: But, when the Point S comes to the Base CN, the Point I will arrive at, or be in the Base FD. Therefore, &c.

### VIII.

*Quære the Content of the cylindrical Ring ABDG? — the Radius CA of the inner Circumference being given = a; and AD, the Diameter of the Ring, or of the generating Circle, = b.*

Put any Arch LA =  $x$ , .78539 &c. =  $c$ :  
Suppose Cd indefinitely near to CD; and draw the concentric prick Circle BG, making



ing  $AB=BD=\frac{1}{2}b$ : Then,  $Dd$ ,  $Bb$ , and  $Aa$ , being considered as little right Lines perpendicular to the Diameter  $AD$ , the *Moment* of the Ring, viz.  $Ad$ , will be equal to the Area of the Circle  $AD$  drawn into the *Increment*  $Bb$ . Now,  $CA:Aa::CB:Bb$ , i. e.  $a:x'::$

$a+\frac{1}{2}b:x'+\frac{bx'}{2a}=Bb$ ; and, the Area of the Circle  $AD=b^2c$ : Therefore, the *Moment* of the Ring is  $=b^2c \times x' + \frac{b^3x'}{2a}=b^2cx'+$

$\frac{b^3cx'}{2a}$ , or, its *Fluxion*  $=b^2c\dot{x}+\frac{b^3c\dot{x}}{2a}$ : And

the *Fluent* of this, is  $=b^2cx+\frac{b^3cx}{2a}=$

$1+\frac{b}{2a} \times b^2cx =$  the Content of the Ring

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from L to A; and, by substituting  $8ac$  for  $x$ , we have the Content of the whole Ring =

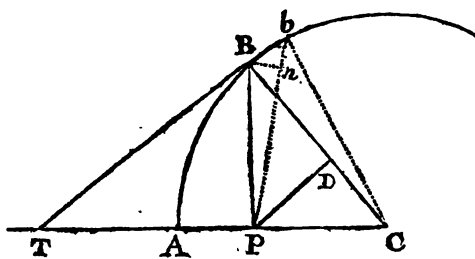
$$1 + \frac{b}{2a} \times 8ab^2c^2 = b^2c \times 2a + b \cdot 4c = \text{the Area}$$

of the generating Circle AD drawn into the Circumference of the prick Circle BG.

*Q. E. I.*

IX.

*Given the Point P in the Radius CA of the given Circle AB &c. Quære the Point B, to which a Tangent TB, and right Line PB, being drawn, the Angle PBT may be a Minimum, or the least possible?*



DRAW the Radius CB. Now, because the Tangent to a Circle is always perpendicular to the Radius, it is evident, that, the Angle PBT will be the least possible when the Angle PBC is the greatest. It is likewise  
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evident, that, as long as the Angle BPC decreases faster than the Angle BCP increases, the Angle PBC will be *increasing*; and that, when the Angle BCP increases faster than the Angle BPC decreases, the said Angle PBC will be *decreasing*: Therefore, when the Angle PBC is a *Maximum*, the *Fluxions* of the Angles at P and C will be equal; *i. e.* if  $Pb$  be supposed indefinitely near to PB, and the little circular Arch  $Bn$  be described with the Radius PB; then, when the Angle PBC is a *Maximum*, the indefinitely small Angles  $BPn$  and  $BCb$  will be equal to each other: Therefore,  $PB : Bn :: CB : Bb$ , or  $Bb : Bn :: CB : PB$ . Draw PD perpendicular to the Radius CB: Then, the Triangles  $bnB$  and  $BDP$  will be similar; and therefore,  $bB : Bn :: PB : BD$ . Hence we have  $CB : PB :: PB : BD$ ; and, consequently, the Triangles  $BDP$  and  $BPC$  are alike; and therefore, the Triangle BPC is right-angled at the Point P; *i. e.* when the Angle PBC is a *Maximum*, or the Angle PBT is a *Minimum*, the right Line PB is perpendicular to the Radius AC.

Q. E. I.

Or thus. Because, by Trigonometry,  $CB : \text{Sine } \angle BPC :: CP : \text{Sine } \angle PBC$ ; therefore, the Angle PBC will be greatest when the

Angle



Angle CPB is a right one ; but, when the Angle PBC is the *greatest*, the Angle PBT is the *least* possible : Therefore, when the said Angle PBT is a *Minimum*, the right Line PB will be perpendicular to the Radius AC ; as before.

## X.

*Suppose the Earth to revolve in a circular Orbit round the Sun as its Center ; and the Moon to revolve round the Earth in the same Manner ; as also, that the Planes of their Orbits do coincide ; and that the Diameters of the said Orbits are as 340 to 1 ; and, lastly, that the Moon performs 13.38 Revolutions to every single Revolution of the Earth. Quære the Nature and Description of the Curve generated by the Center of the Moon ? — Or, whether the Curve described by the Center of the Moon, in one Luration, be any where Convex towards the Sun ?*

[ See the *Gentleman's Magazine* for September 1743, and the *Supplement* for that Year.]

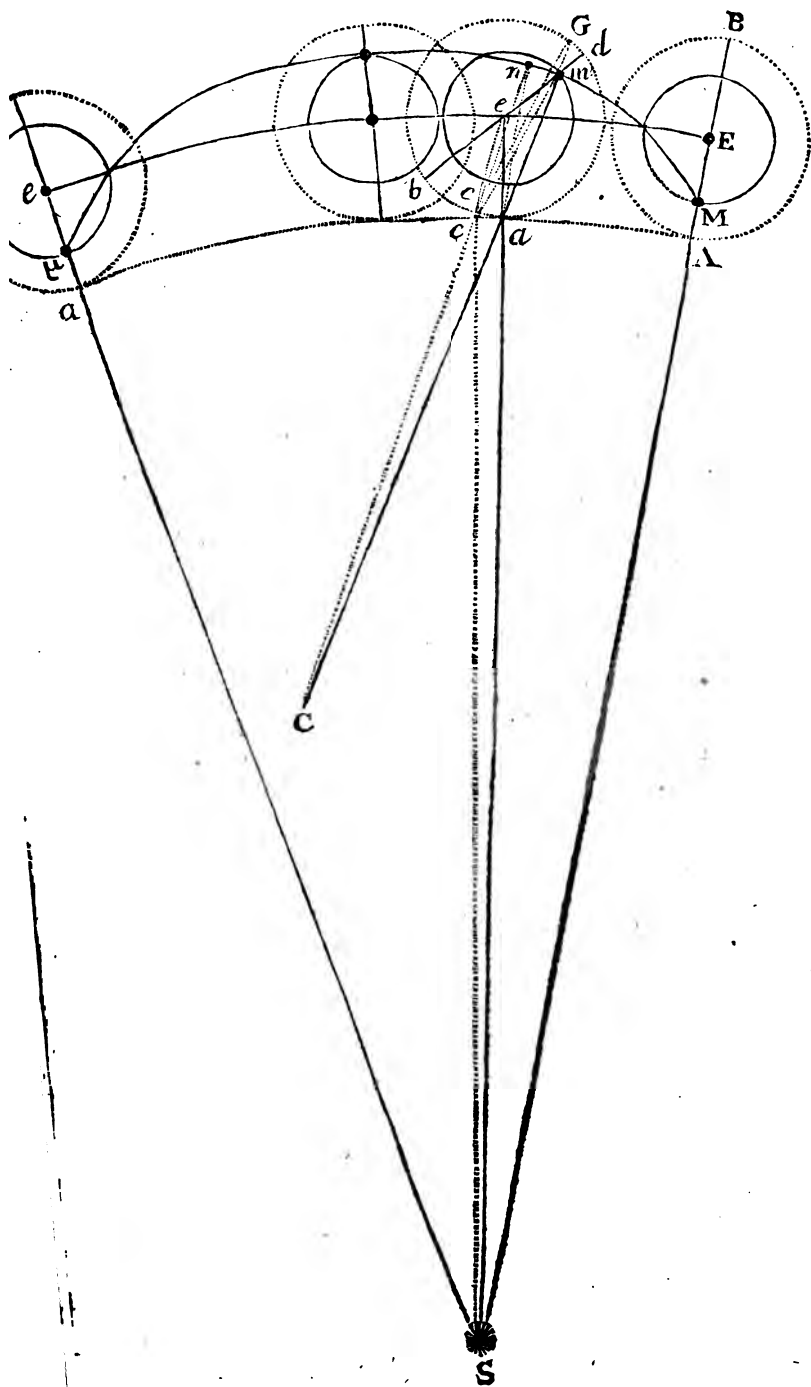
LET S represent the Sun ; E, the Earth ; Eee, an Arch of the Orbit of the Earth passed over by its Center in one Luration of the Moon ; the Circumference of the Circle

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EAB

EAB = the concentric Arch *Aaa*: Then, (because  $13.38 - 1 = 12.38$  is = the Number of Lunations in a Year, or one Revolution of the Earth,) when the Moon is in Conjunction with the Sun, the Distance between the Sun and Moon will be greater than the Distance or Radius SA. Now, the Curve described by the Center of the Moon, is the same as that described by a Point M (EM being the Semidiameter of the Moon's Orbit,) carried round by the Rotation of the Circle EAB on the Arch *Aa*: It is therefore of the *Cycloidal* Kind, having a Point of *contrary Flexure*, if every Cycloid described by a Point within the generating Circle, is *inflected* as well upon a *circular* as upon a *rectilinear* Base. In Order to determine which,

Put SA or *Sa* = *a*, EA or *ea* = *b*, EM or *em* = *c*, *am* = *r*, and *aG* = *s*; and let *mC* be the Radius of Curvature at any Point *m*, and *nC* indefinitely near it. Then, *ac* and *ac* being the indefinitely small contemporary Arches with *mn*, and consequently the Triangles *amc* and *anc* equal in all Respects; if we consider the said little Arches *ac* and *ac* as little right Lines perpendicular to the Radii *ec* and *Sc*, we shall have the  $\angle man = \angle cac =$  (because the Angles *ead* and *Sac* added to ei-



ther Side of the Equation make it two right Angles,)  $\angle aec + \angle aSc$ . Now,  $Sa : ea :: \angle aec : \angle aSc$ ; and  $Sa : Sa + ae :: \angle aec : \angle aec$

$$+ \angle aSc, \text{ i. e. } a : a + b :: \angle aec : \angle man = \frac{a+b}{a} \times$$

$\angle aec$ . Again; in any Triangle, as  $Gmc$ , if the Angles  $mGc$ ,  $mcG$ , and  $amc$  the Complement of the obtuse Angle to two right Angles, be indefinitely small, they will be proportional to the opposite Sides  $mc$ ,  $mG$ , and  $Gc$ ; (which see demonstrated in the Note below.) i. e.  $Gc : mG :: \angle amc : \angle mcG$ ; and  $Gc - mG : Gc :: \angle amc - \angle mcG : \angle amc$ , i. e.  $ma : Ga :: \angle aGc : \angle anc$ , or  $r : s ::$

$$\frac{1}{2} \angle aec : \angle anc = \frac{s}{2r} \angle aec. \text{ And again, } \angle aCu :$$

$$\angle anC :: an : aC, \text{ i. e. } \angle man - \angle anc : \angle anc ::$$

$$am : aC, \text{ or } \frac{a+b}{a} - \frac{s}{2r} \angle aec : \frac{s}{2r} \angle aec :: r :$$

$$aC = \frac{ars}{2ar + 2br - as}. \text{ Consequently, } ma +$$

$$aC = mC = \frac{2ar^2 + 2br^2}{2ar + 2br - as} = \frac{r^2}{r - \frac{as}{2a+2b}}$$

= the Radius of Curvature at any Point  $m$ .

Now,

Now, as this Expression for the Radius of Curvature, must be Affirmative on one Side of the Point of Inflection, and Negative on the other; or, since  $r$  must be *more* than

$\frac{as}{2a+2b}$  on one Side of the said Point, and on the other *less*; therefore, at the Point of In-

flection,  $r = \frac{as}{2a+2b}$ ; which substituted for

$r$ , makes ( $Gm \times ma$ , i. e.)  $rs - r^2 = \frac{2abs^2 + a^2s^2}{(2a+2b)^2} = (\text{because } Gm \times ma = bm \times md =) b^2 - c^2$ ; from which Equation, we have  $s = \frac{2a+2b\sqrt{b^2-c^2}}{\sqrt{2ab+a^2}}$ . Or, to find  $r$ , say  $2ar +$

$2br = as$ , or  $s = \frac{2ar+2br}{a}$ ; then ( $Gm \times ma =$ )

$rs - r^2 = \frac{ar^2+2br^2}{a} = (bm \times md =) b^2 - c^2$ ;

which Equation gives  $r = \sqrt{\frac{ab^2-ac^2}{a+2b}}$ , when

the Point  $m$  falls in the Point of Inflection. Now, as  $ma$  ( $r$ ) must, by the Nature of the Circle, always be *greater* than  $md$ ; that is, as

$\sqrt{\frac{ab^2-ac^2}{a+2b}}$  must always be *more* than  $b-c$ ,

and

and consequently,  $\frac{ab^2 - ac^2}{a + 2b}$  more than  $\overline{b-c}^2$ ,

i. e.  $\frac{a \times \overline{b-c} \times \overline{b-c}}{a + 2b}$  than  $\overline{b-c} \times \overline{b-c}$ ; so there-

fore, (*em*)  $c$  must be always more than  $\frac{b^2}{a+b}$ ,

in Order to a Point of Inflection's taking Place in the Curve. But, in the present Case,  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$ , being as 12.38, 1, and  $\frac{13.38}{340}$  or .039; therefore,  $c$  is less than  $\frac{b^2}{a+b}$ ;

and consequently, the Curve  $Mm\mu$ , generated by the Center of the Moon, has *not* a Point of *contrary Flexure*, or, is no where *Convex* towards the Sun. Q. E. I.

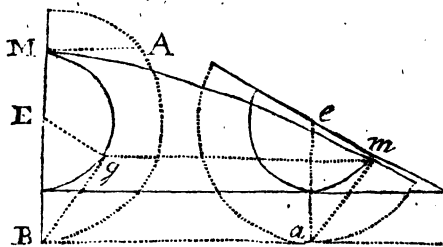
#### COROLLARIES.

1. When  $r=s$ , that is, when the Point  $m$  coincides with  $d$ , the Radius of Curvature will be  $= \frac{2ar^2 + 2br^2}{ar + 2br}$  or  $\frac{a+b}{a+2b} 2r$ ; and  $aC = \frac{a}{a+2b} r$ ; by Analogy,  $a+2b : a :: r : aC$ ; that is,  $SB : SA :: ma : aC$ .

2. When  $a$  is infinite, and  $r=s$ ; that is, when the Base becomes a right Line, and the

the Point  $m$  coincides with  $d$ , or the Curve is the *common Cycloid*; the Radius of Curvature will be  $= 2r$ : For then,  $2br^2$  and  $2br$ , will be infinitely little in Comparison of  $2ar^2$  and  $ar$ , and therefore may be rejected.

3. When  $a$  is infinite, that is, when the Base degenerates into a right Line, or the Curve is the common *Inflected* or *Interior Cycloid*, (as in the annexed Fig.) if the Tan-



gent  $Bg$  be drawn; the Point of Inflection will be in the Line  $gm$  parallel to the Base; that is, if  $AM$  be perpendicular to  $MB$ ; when the Point  $A$  comes to the Base, the Point  $M$  will be in the Point of Inflection: For, when the Point  $m$  is in the Line  $gm$ , it is evident, that,  $am$  will be equal to  $Bg$ , and the Triangles  $BgE$  and  $ame$  equal in every Respect; and, because the Tangent to a Circle is perpendicular to the Radius, the

$\angle ame$

$\angle ame =$  a right Angle: Wherefore, by  
47 E. I.  $\overline{ae}^2 - \overline{em}^2 = \overline{ma}^2$ ; that is, (if  $m$  be  
the Point of Inflection, and not otherwise,)

$$b^2 - c^2 = r^2 = \frac{ab^2 - ac^2}{a + 2b}; \text{ i. e. } b^2 - c^2 = \overline{b^2 - c^2}$$

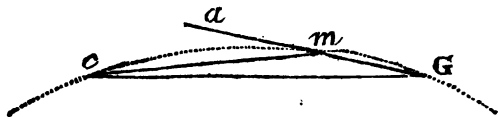
$\times \frac{a}{a + 2b}$ ; but,  $2b$  being infinitely little in

Respect of  $a$ , therefore  $\frac{a}{a + 2b}$  is infinitely near

to Equality with  $\frac{a}{a}$ , i. e.  $= 1$ ; ergo, &c.

[See Art. 62. and Prob. 6th of this Appendix.]

Note, THAT the Angles  $mGc$ ,  $mcG$ , and  
 $amc$ , when *indefinitely* small, are as the Sides  
 $mc$ ,  $mG$ , and  $Gc$ , (as they are said to be in  
the above *Solution*;) may thus be proved.



Let the  $\Delta$  be circumscribed by the Circle  
 $cmG$ : then will the Arches  $Gm$  and  $mc$  differ  
infinitely little from their Chords  $Gm$  and  
 $mc$ , and therefore may be taken as equal to  
them: And, since the Angle at the Center  
of



of a Circle, is double the Angle at the Periphery; therefore, the Arches or Chords  $cm$  and  $mG$ , are the Measures of double the Angles  $mGc$  and  $mcG$  respectively; or, the Angles  $mGc$  and  $mcG$  are to each other as their opposite Sides  $cm$  and  $mG$ : And, because the Angle  $amc$  is equal to the Sum of the Angles  $mGc$  and  $mcG$ ; therefore, the Measure of it, is the Sum of the Arches or Chords  $cm$  and  $mG$ ; which differing infinitely little from the Side or Chord  $cG$ , may be considered as equal to it: *Ergo*, &c.

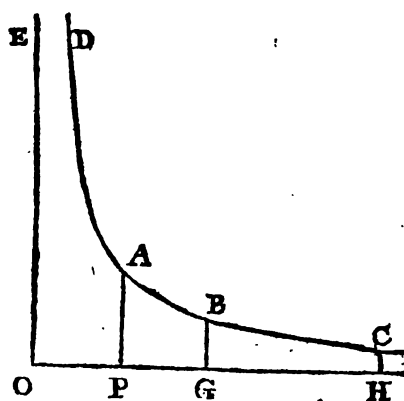
XI.

*The Fluxion of the Hyperbolic Logarithm of any Quantity, is equal to the Fluxion of that Quantity, divided by the Quantity itself. Quare the Demonstration? (See Art. 17.)*

LET DABC be an Hyperbola, whose Asymptotes are the perpendicular right Lines OE and OH; and its Parameter AP, which, by a Property of the Curve, is  $= PO$ . Now, if AP or PO be put  $= 1$ , and GB or HC be drawn parallel to PA; then, the Space PABG will be the hyperbolic Logarithm of

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$\frac{OG}{OP}$



$\frac{OG}{OP}$ , *i.e.* of  $OG$ ; and the Space  $PACH$ , the

hyperbolic Logarithm of  $\frac{OH}{OP}$ , *i.e.* of  $OH$ ; or,

the Space  $GBCH$ , the hyperbolic Logarithm of  $\frac{OH}{OG}$ ; &c. For, by the Property of the

Curve, (See *Stone's De L'Hospital's Conic Sections, Art. 226.*) when  $OP, OG, OH$ , &c.

are in geometrical Proportion continued, the Spaces  $PABG$ , and  $GBCH$ , &c. will be

equal; that is, the Spaces  $PABG$ ,  $PACH$ , &c. will be in arithmetical Progression. So that,

the *Fluxion* of the Space  $PABG$ , is the *Fluxion* of the hyperbolic Logarithm of  $OG$  :

Now, the *Fluxion* of this Space, (putting  $PG=x$ , and  $GB=y$ ,) is (by *Art. 122.*) =

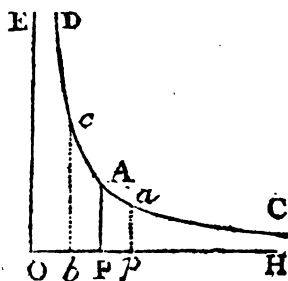
$\frac{y}{x}$ .

$y\dot{x}$ . But, by the Nature of the Curve,  $OG : OP :: PA : GB$ , *i. e.*  $1+x : 1 :: 1 : y = \frac{1}{1+x}$  : Wherefore,  $y\dot{x} = \frac{\dot{x}}{1+x}$  = the *Fluxion* of the hyperbolic Logarithm of  $1+x$ . But, the *Fluxion* of  $1+x$ , divided by  $1+x$ , is likewise  $= \frac{\dot{x}}{1+x}$ , or, the *Fluxion* of the Space PABG expressing the hyp. Log. of the Line OG, is equal to the *Fluxion* of the said Line, divided by the Line itself. Q. E. D.

*N. B.* By a Space or Line, is meant its Numerical Measure.

## XII.

*If the Hyperbolic Logarithm of 1 be 0, what is the Hyperbolic Logarithm of 10? (See Art. 17.)*



LET OE and OH be the Asymptotes of the rectangular Hyperbola DAC, whose Parameter is  $AP=PO=1$ . Then, the Area of the Space  $PAap$  will be the hyp. Log. of  $\frac{Op}{OP}$ , i. e. of  $Op$ : The Area of the Space  $PACb$  will be the hyp. Log. of  $\frac{OP}{Ob}$ , i. e. of

$\frac{1}{Ob}$ : And, the Area of the Space  $bcap$  will

be the hyp. Log. of  $\frac{Op}{Ob}$ . (See the preceding

*Quest.*) Now, to find these Areas:

1°. PUT  $Pb=x$ , and  $bc=y$ ; then, by the Nature of the Curve,  $y=\frac{1}{1-x}$ ; which drawn

into  $\dot{x}$ , is  $y\dot{x}=\frac{\dot{x}}{1-x}$  = the Fluxion of  $Pc=$

(by throwing  $\frac{\dot{x}}{1-x}$  into a Series)  $\dot{x}+x\dot{x}+$

$x^2\dot{x}+x^3\dot{x}+x^4\dot{x}+x^5\dot{x}+x^6\dot{x}+x^7\dot{x}+x^8\dot{x}+x^9\dot{x}+$

$x^{10}\dot{x}+x^{11}\dot{x}+\mathcal{E}c$ . Therefore, the Fluent of

this Series, viz.  $x+\frac{1}{2}x^2+\frac{1}{3}x^3+\frac{1}{4}x^4+\frac{1}{5}x^5+$

$+\frac{1}{6}x^6+\frac{1}{7}x^7+\frac{1}{8}x^8+\frac{1}{9}x^9+\frac{1}{10}x^{10}+\frac{1}{11}x^{11}+\frac{1}{12}x^{12}$

$+\mathcal{E}c$ . is  $= Pc$ .

2°. PUT  $Pf=x$ , and  $pa=y$ ; then  $y=\frac{1}{1+x}$ ,

and

and  $y\dot{x} = \frac{\dot{x}}{1+x} =$  the Fluxion of  $Pa =$  (by throwing  $\frac{\dot{x}}{1+x}$  into a Series)  $\dot{x} - x\dot{x} + x^2\dot{x} - x^3\dot{x} + x^4\dot{x} - x^5\dot{x} + x^6\dot{x} - x^7\dot{x} + x^8\dot{x} - x^9\dot{x} + x^{10}\dot{x} - x^{11}\dot{x} + \&c.$  Therefore, the Fluent of this Series, viz.  $x - \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{3}x^3 - \frac{1}{4}x^4 + \frac{1}{5}x^5 - \frac{1}{6}x^6 + \frac{1}{7}x^7 - \frac{1}{8}x^8 + \frac{1}{9}x^9 - \frac{1}{10}x^{10} + \frac{1}{11}x^{11} - \frac{1}{12}x^{12} + \&c.$  is  $= Pa.$

Hence,

If  $Pb = Pp$ , the Area *beap*, viz. the Sum of  $Pc$  and  $Pa$ , will be  $= 2x : x + \frac{1}{2}x^3 + \frac{1}{3}x^5 + \frac{1}{4}x^7 + \frac{1}{5}x^9 + \frac{1}{6}x^{11} + \&c.$  And  $Pc - Pa$  will be  $= x^2 + \frac{1}{2}x^4 + \frac{1}{3}x^6 + \frac{1}{4}x^8 + \frac{1}{5}x^{10} + \frac{1}{6}x^{12} + \&c.$  That is, if  $Ob = .9$ , and  $bP = Pp = x = .1$ ; then, by substituting .1 for  $x$ , we shall have  $ba = .2006706954 \&c.$  and  $Pc - Pa = .0100503358 \&c.$  half of which added to half  $ba$ , is  $.1053605156 \&c. = Pc =$  the hyp. Log. of  $\frac{1}{.9}$ . And if  $Ob = .8$ , and  $bP = Pp = x = .2$ ; then, by writing .2 for  $x$ , we have  $ba = .4054651081 \&c. =$  the hyp. Log. of  $\frac{1.2}{.8}$ ; and  $Pc - Pa = .0408219945 \&c.$  half of which subtracted from half  $ba$ , is

.1823215567  $\&c.$

$.1823215567 \text{ \&c.} = Pa =$  the hyp. Log. of  $\frac{1.2}{1}$  or 1.2; and this subtracted from  $ba$ , leaves

$.2231435513 \text{ \&c.} = Pc =$  the hyp. Log. of  $\frac{1}{.8}$ . Therefore, by the Nature of Loga-

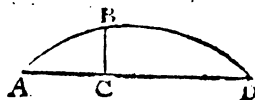
rithms, the hyp. Log. of  $\frac{1}{.9} \times \frac{1.2}{.8} \times 1.2$ , viz. of 2, is  $= .1053605156 \text{ \&c.} + .4054651081 \text{ \&c.} + .1823215567 \text{ \&c.} = .6931471805 \text{ \&c.}$  And the hyp. Log. of  $2^3$ , viz. of 8, is  $= 3 \times 6931471805 \text{ \&c.} = 2.0794415416 \text{ \&c.}$

And the hyp. Log. of  $8 \times \frac{1}{.8}$ , viz. of 10, is  $= 2.0794415416 \text{ \&c.} + .2231435513 \text{ \&c.} = 2.3025850929 \text{ \&c.} \text{ Q. E. I.}$

[See Stone's *Math. Dict.* under the Word *Logarithms*.]

### XIII.

In the Curve ABD, whose Equation (putting  $AC=x$ ,  $CB=y$ , and the given right Line  $AD=a$ ,) is  $ax-x^2=ay+y^2$ ; required the Radius of Curvature for any Point; and a geometrical Construction to illustrate and confirm the Work.



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THE *Fluxion* of the given Equation of the Curve, is  $ax - 2x\dot{x} = ay + 2y\dot{y}$ ; which, making  $\dot{x} = 1$ , is  $a - 2x = ay + 2y\dot{y}$ ; and the *Fluxion* of this Equation again, the *Fluxion* of  $y$  being considered as Negative, is  $-2 = -a\ddot{y} + 2y^2 - 2y\ddot{y}$ . Hence we have  $\dot{y} =$

$$\frac{a-2x}{a+2y}, \quad \dot{y}^2 = \frac{a^2 - 4ax + 4x^2}{a^2 + 4ay + 4y^2}, \quad \text{and } \ddot{y} = \frac{4a^2 + 8ay + 8y^2 - 8ax + 8x^2}{(a+2y)^3} = (\text{because by the}$$

Nature of the Curve,  $8ay + 8y^2 = 8ax - 8x^2$ ,  
or  $8ay + 8y^2 - 8ax + 8x^2 = 0$ ,)  $\frac{4a^2}{(a+2y)^3}$ . Now,

by substituting for  $\dot{y}^2$  and  $\ddot{y}$  these their Values, in the general Expression for the Radius of Curvature, which was found in *Art. 71.* =

$\frac{(1+\dot{y}^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}}{\ddot{y}}$  when  $\dot{x} = 1$  and the *Fluxion* of  $y$  Negative; we shall have

$$\left( \frac{2a^2 + 4ay + 4y^2 - 4ax + 4x^2}{a+2y} \right)^{\frac{3}{2}} \times \frac{(a+2y)^3}{4a^2} = (\text{be-}$$

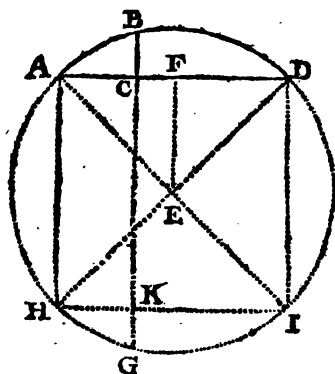
cause  $4ay + 4y^2 - 4ax + 4x^2 = 0$ ,)  $\frac{(2a^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}}{(a+2y)^{\frac{3}{2}}} \times$

$$\frac{(a+2y)^3}{4a^2} = \frac{(2a^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}}{4a^2} = \frac{8^{\frac{1}{2}}a}{4} = \frac{1}{2}a = \text{the Ra-}$$

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dus of Curvature for any Point B required ; which being a fixt or invariable Quantity, proves the Curve to be an Arch of a Circle.

Now, if the Radius of a Circle be  $\frac{1}{2}a$  ; then,  $a$  is the Side of its inscribed Square, or the Chord of  $90^\circ$ . as the right Line AD : For, if the said right Line AD be bisected in F,



and the Perpendicular FE drawn  $= AF = \frac{1}{2}a$  ; the Point E will fall in the Center of the Circle ; and consequently, the Radius will

be AE  $\left( = \sqrt{EF^2 + FA^2} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \left( \frac{1}{2}a^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{2}a$ .

And, that  $x$ , in the given Equation, must flow in the said Chord AD, may be thus demonstrated. To any Point C, draw BC perpendicular to AD, and let it be produced till it



it meets the Circle's Periphery in G; and let HI be drawn parallel and equal to AD: then, 'tis evident, that,  $CK=AH=AD$ , by Construction; and  $KG=CB$ , because  $AC=HK$ , and  $AB=HG$ ; therefore,  $CG=AD+CB$ : But, by a Property of Circles,  $AC \times CD=BC \times CG$ , *i.e.* (putting  $AD=a$ ,  $AC=x$ , and  $CB=y$ ,)  $x \times a - x = y \times a + y$ , or  $ax - x^2 = ay + y^2$ . Therefore, &c.

From the Construction here given, it appears, that, the *Question* may be infinitely diversified, so as to be adapted to any regular Polygon, of an even Number of Sides, that can be inscrib'd in a Circle.—We see here also, a Demonstration of the Justness of the *fluxional Calculus*, as made Use of above,

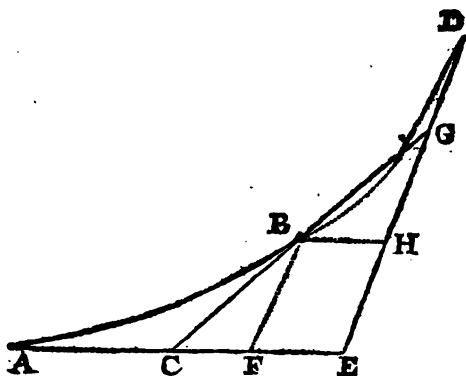
#### XIV.

*Let the given right Line CG, in its first Situation, coincide with the right Line AE; and let the End G move along the right Line ED in such a Manner, that the other End C may pass on with an uniform Motion from A to E; and, at the same Time, suppose a Point B to move with the same uniform Motion, from C along the Line CG: Then, by the Motion of this Point, will the Curve*

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ABD be describ'd. Now, BF being always parallel to DE, 'tis required to find the Point C, in the Line AE, when CF is a Maximum.



Put  $AE = ED = CG = a$ ,  $AF = x$ , and  $AC = CB = z$ ; then  $CF = x - z$ ,  $BG = a - z$ , and  $FE = BH = a - x$ . By Sim.  $\Delta$ s,  $GB : BH :: BC : CF$ , i.e.  $a - z : a - x :: z : x - z$ ;  $\therefore ax - az - xz + z^2 = az - xz$ , or,  $ax - 2az + z^2 = 0$ ; which in Fluxions is  $ax - 2az + 2zx = 0$ . But, when  $CF$  or  $x - z$  is a Maximum, 'tis evident that  $\dot{x} = \dot{z}$ ; therefore, by dividing by  $\dot{x}$  or  $\dot{z}$ , we have  $a - 2a + 2z = 0$ , or  $2z = a$ ; and therefore  $z = \frac{1}{2}a$ , or, the Point C bisects the Line AE when CF is a Maximum. Q. E. I.

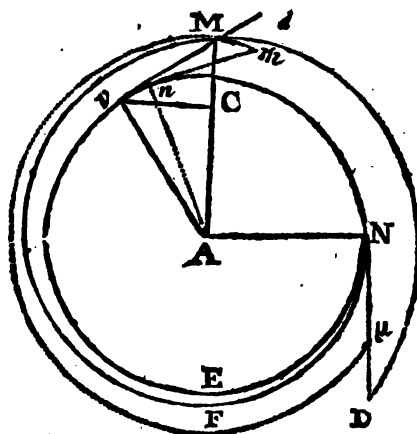
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COROLLARY. Since  $CB=BG$ ; therefore,  $CF=BH=FE=\frac{1}{2}CB$ ; and consequently, when the Angle AED is not an obtuse, but a right One, the  $\angle BCF$  will; when  $CF$  is a *Maximum*, be  $=60^\circ$ .

XV.

*Let the given right Line AN turn uniformly round the Point A as a Center; and, at the same Time, let a Point be suppos'd to pass with an uniform Motion, from N, along the right Line ND, equal and perpendicular to the said Line AN, and such Velocity, as to arrive at D at the same Time that the said Lines come to be in their first Situation: Then, by this Point, will the Spiral NFMD be describ'd. Quære the Area of any Space NE $\nu$ MFN?*

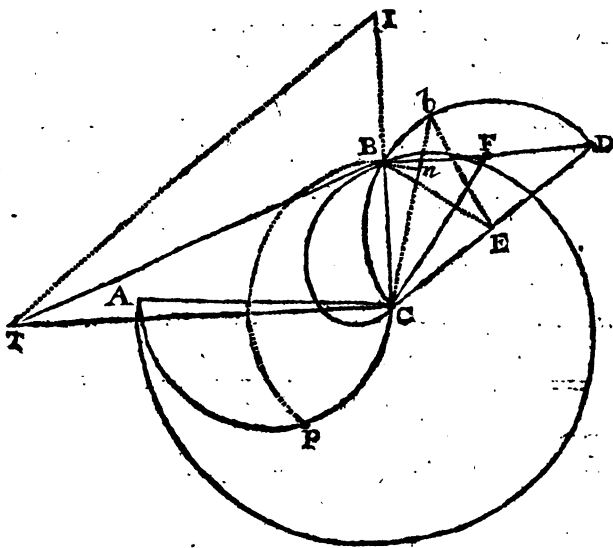
PUT  $AN=ND=a$ , Circle  $NEN=b$ ,  $\nu M=v$ , Arch  $\mu M=x$ ,  $AM=y$ , Arch  $NE\nu=z$ ,  $Mm=x'$ , and  $\nu n=z'$ . Now, if we draw  $\nu C$  perpendicular to  $AM$ , the *Moment* or *Increment* of the Space  $NE\nu M\mu$ , viz.  $\nu Mm\nu$ , will be  $=\frac{1}{2}CM \times Mm =$  (because  $AM:M\nu::\nu M:MC$ , or  $y:v::v:MC=\frac{v^2}{y}$ ),  $\frac{v^2 x'}{2y}$ ; therefore, the *Fluxion* of the said



Space, which is = the *Fluxion* of the Space in *Question*, is =  $\frac{v^2 \dot{x}}{2y}$ . But, it is plain from the Generation of the Curve, (*vd*)  $a : b :: v : \dot{x} = \frac{bv}{a}$ , and (*Av*)  $a : y :: \dot{z} : \dot{x} = \frac{y \dot{z}}{a} = \frac{y}{a} \times \frac{bv}{a} = \frac{byv}{a^2}$ ; which substituted for  $\dot{x}$ , makes the above *Fluxion* of the Space in *Question* =  $\frac{bv^2 \dot{v}}{2a^2}$ ; the *Fluent* of which, is  $\frac{bv^3}{6a^2}$  = the Area of the Space required. And, by writing  $a$  for  $v$ , we shall have the Area of the whole spiral Space NENDMFN =  $\frac{1}{6} ab = \frac{1}{6}$  the Area of the Circle NEN. Q. E. I.

**XVI.**

*Let the Semicircle APC turn uniformly round the Center C; in one Revolution of which, suppose a Point to move with an uniform Motion along the said Semicircle, from C to A: Then will this Point generate, or describe, the Spiral CBA; the Direction of which, at any Point B, is required.*



LET the Point  $b$  be supposed indefinitely near to  $B$ ; and with the Ordinate  $CB$ , as a Radius, describe the Arch  $PBz$ . Put the Radius

Radius  $EB=a$ , Arch  $CB$  (of the generating Semicircle)  $=v$ , Arch  $PB=x$ , Ordinate  $CB=y$ ; and  $Bb=v'$ ,  $bn=y'$ . Now,  $a:2y::$

$v:x=\frac{2yv'}{a}$ ; and, (because by the Property

of Circles  $\angle BEB=2\angle BCb$ ,)  $a:y::v':2Bn$ ,

$\therefore Bn=\frac{yv'}{2a}$ ; but  $[Bb]^2-[bn]^2=[nB]^2$ , i. e.  $v^2$

$-y'^2=\frac{y^2v'^2}{4a^2}$ , or,  $v^2-y'^2=\frac{y^2v^2}{4a^2}$ ; which E-

quation gives  $v=\frac{2ay}{\sqrt{4a^2-y^2}}$ . Hence we

have  $x=\frac{2y}{a} \times \frac{2ay}{\sqrt{4a^2-y^2}} = \frac{4yy'}{\sqrt{4a^2-y^2}}$ ;

which substituted for  $x$ , makes  $\frac{xy}{y}$  (the ge-

neral Expression for the Subtangent  $CT$ , which is perpendicular to the Ordinate  $CB$ .)

$= \frac{y}{y} \times \frac{4y^2}{\sqrt{4a^2-y^2}} = \frac{4y^2}{\sqrt{4a^2-y^2}} =$   
 $\frac{2BC \times 2BC}{BD} =$  (by making  $BF=FD$ .)

$\frac{BC \times 2BC}{BF}$ . Hence the following Con-

struction; viz. In the right Line  $CI$ , make  $IB=BC$ , and the  $\angle CIT=\angle CFB$ ; then,  $T$  is  
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the Point from which the Tangent to the Point B must be drawn : For then, the right angled Triangles FBC and ICT will be similar ; and therefore,  $BF : BC :: IC : CT$ , *i. e.*

$$BF : BC :: 2BC : CT = \frac{BC \times 2BC}{BF}; \text{there-}$$

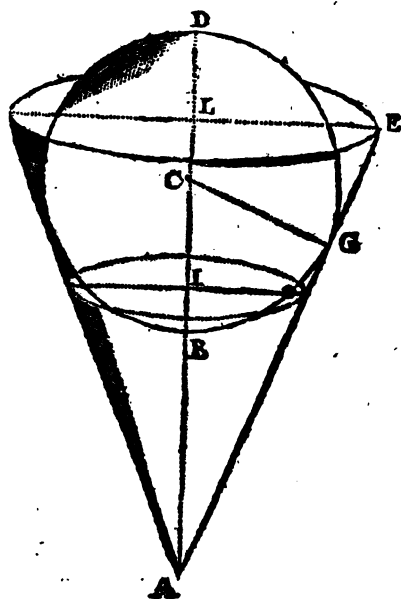
fore, &c. *Q. E. I.*

COROL. Since  $x = \frac{2yv}{a}$ , and  $Bn = \frac{yv}{2a}$  ;  
therefore  $x$  or  $x' = 4Bn$ .

## XVII.

*If a heavy Sphere, whose Diameter is 4 Inches, be let fall into a conical Glass  $\frac{1}{3}$ th full of Water, whose Diameter is 5 Inches and Altitude 6 ; how much of the Sphere will be immers'd in the Water ?*

Put the Altitude  $AL = 6 = a$  ; Radius  $LE = 2.5 = b$  ;  $3.14159$  &c.  $= c$  ;  $BD$ , the Diameter of the Sphere  $= 4 = d$  ; and  $BI$ , that Part of the said Diameter under the Water,  $= x$  ; then,  $ID = d - x$ . Now, the Capacity of the Glass is  $= \frac{1}{3} ab^2c$  ; and therefore, by *Quest.* the Quantity of Water in it is  $= \frac{1}{3} ab^2c$ . By the Property of Circles,  $BI \times ID = r^2$ , *i. e.*  $dx - x^2 =$  the Square of the Radius



dius of the Section of the Sphere ; therefore  
 the Area of the said Section is  $=cdx - cx^2$  ;  
 which drawn into  $\dot{x}$ , is  $cdx\dot{x} - cx^2\dot{x}$  = the  
*Fluxion* of the Segment of the Sphere under  
 the Water ; the *Fluent* of which, is  $\frac{1}{2}cdx^2 -$   
 $\frac{1}{3}cx^3$  = the Content of the said Segment.  
 Hence, (similar Solids being as the Cubes of  
 their homologous Sides,)  $\frac{1}{2}ab^2c : a^3 :: \frac{1}{2}x$   
 $ab^2c + \frac{1}{2}cdx^2 - \frac{1}{3}cx^3 : \frac{1}{2}a^3 + \frac{3a^2dx^2}{2b^2} - \frac{a^2x^3}{b^2}$

=



$=\overline{AI}]^3$ . But,  $AE=\sqrt{a^2+b^2}$ ; and  $LE:EA::$

$GC:CA$ , *i. e.*  $b:\sqrt{a^2+b^2}::\frac{1}{2}d:\frac{d}{2b}\sqrt{a^2+b^2}$

$=CA$ ;  $\therefore AB (=AC-BC) = \frac{d}{2b}\sqrt{a^2+b^2}$

$-\frac{1}{2}d = 3.2$ , which put  $=e$ ; then  $AI = e+x$ , and  $\overline{AI}]^3 = e^3 + 3e^2x + 3ex^2 + x^3 =$  (because by the above,  $AI^3$  is  $=$ )  $\frac{1}{2}a^3 +$

$\frac{3a^2dx^2}{2b^2} - \frac{a^2x^3}{b^2}$ . Now, this Equation pro-

duces  $\overline{10a^2+10b^2}.x^3 + \overline{30b^2e-15a^2d}.x^2 + \overline{30b^2e^2x} = \overline{2a^3b^2-10b^2e^3}$ , *i. e.*  $422.5x^3 - 1560x^2 + 1920x = 652$ ; which divided by 422.5, is  $x^3 - 3.692x^2 + 4.544x = 1.543$ : Whence  $x$  may be found  $= .546 = BI =$  that Part of the Diameter of the Sphere under the Water. *Q. E. I.*

F I N I S.

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**P**AGE 6. *l.* 12. *f.* *Cb*, *r.* *cb*. P. 24. *l.* 11, *f.*  $= \frac{z}{r}$ , *r.*  $= -\frac{z}{r}$ . P. 27. *l.* 7, *f.* 13, *r.* 12. P. 43. *l.* 13. *f.*  $y^2$ , *r.*  $z^2$ . P. 49. *l.* 9. *f.* by  $x$ , *r.* by  $\dot{x}$ . P. 73. *l.* 6. *f.*  $x$ , *r.*  $z$ . P. 79. *l.* 4, *f.* *CBD*, *r.* *CBG*. P. 90, *l.* 11, *f.*  $xx$   $\overline{b^2-x^2}$ , *r.*  $x^4 \times \overline{b^2-x^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ . Ibid. *l.* 12, *f.*  $x^4$   $\overline{b^2-x^2}$ , *r.*  $x^4 \cdot \overline{b^2-x^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ . P. 94, *l.* 7, *f.* 11, *r.* 10, P. 107, *l.* 8, *f.*  $ax$ , *r.*  $2x$ . P. 108, *l.* ult. *f.*  $y^{-2}$ , *r.*  $y^{m-2}$ . P. 153, *l.* penult, *f.* 4. 6. *r.* 3. 6. P. 165, *l.* 7, *f.*  $2^2$ , *r.*  $a^2$ .

In some Copies are likewise the following *Errata*; viz. P. 129, *l.* 9, *f.*  $\psi$ , *r.*  $v^3$ . P. 158,

*l.* 15, *f.*  $\frac{1}{a+x}^2$ , *r.*  $\frac{1}{a+x}^2$ . P. 169, *l.* 8,

*f.*  $\overline{a^2+x^2}^2$ , *r.*  $\overline{a^2+x^2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ . P. 240, *l.* 11, *f.*  $\frac{1}{2}a^2$ , *r.*  $\frac{1}{2}a^2$ .

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